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OUTRAGED BRITAIN.

Another Cabinet Meeting Held Yesterday.

MANY INVESTIGATIONS.

Those at Hull and Vigo Precede International Commission.

Yesterday was again a busy day in official circles, surprise being sprung upon the country by the holding of another Cabinet meeting.

In the morning Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador, paid a visit to Lord Lansdowne at the Foreign Office.

At about the same time Mr. Balfour, who re turned to town from the New Forest on Sunday

turned to town from the New Forest on Sunday might, was received by the King at Buckingham Palace. The audience lasted about half an hour. Shortly after mid-day the members of the Cabinet assembled at the Foreign Office, the meeting being also attended by the Attorney-General. The Cabinet meeting lasted about an hour and a bate

The Press Association has authority for stating that the meeting indicates no important development of the situation, although it was called in direct connection with the Anglo-Russian nego-

thations.

It is understood that the Government, among other things, has had under consideration the question as to how they will be represented at the inquiry at Vigo, and an announcement on this subject will probably be made in due course.

INOUIRIES BEGUN.

Arrangements for the Board of Trade inquiry at Hull are now complete. It will be conducted by Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge and Mr. Butter Aspinall, K.C., who yesterday met in conference at the latter's chambers.

The Hon, Noel Farrer, secretary to Sir Francis Hopwood, will act as secretary to this board of

Industry, inquiry,
The Russian Naval inquiry was opened at Vigo
on Sunday. Vesterday two officers left Vigo for
Madrid, it is believed, with dispatches for St.

RUSSIANS FIRE ON ENGLISH COLLIER.

FRANKFUNKT-ON-MAIN, Monday.—The "Frank-furter Zeitung" publishes a telegram from Tan-gier, dated yesterday, stating that several officers of the Russian Baltic Fleet have admitted in an interview that while on their voyage to Tangier the Russians fired at an English collier which was showing no lights. The effect is unknown.—

BALTIC FLEET COALING AT TANGIER.

TANGIER, Monday.—The Russian warships here yesterday asked the Moorish authorities for lighters to assist them in coaling, but the request was refused. to assist them in coaling, but the request was fused.

To-day the Moors reconsidered their decision, and some lighters are now being sent off.—Reuter.

JUST IN TIME.

The Central News says that Count Lamsdorff's dispatch, embodying the suggestion of the Tsar as to an International Court of Inquiry, reached London only at twelve o'clock last Friday. The dispatch was immediately conveyed to the Foreign Office, and reached the Cabinet Council while the Ministers were still waiting for definite propositions from the Russian Government.

Warships will escort all mail steamers passing through the Straits of Gibraltar.

Seven Russian destroyers have arrived at Algiers from Tangier to coal

There are now nearly 100 warships assembled at Portland practically ready for sea.

Yesterday Lord Charles Beresford paid a flying

visit to Tangier on a torpedo-boat. Russia has nominated Professor Martens as her

There are now in the neighbourhood of Vigo

thirty-two British warships exercising the strictest vigilance over the Russian Baltic Squadron. Some colliers bound for the Mediterranean which were intercepted in the Straits have arrived at Gibraltar, the Admiralty having bought their cargoes.

The owners of the steam trawler Sonntag, which was fired upon by the Russian Baltic Fleet, have presented claims for compensation to the Russian Government.

At present there are at Gibraltar, or in the neigh-bourhood, fourteen British battleships, thirteen first-class armoured and other cruisers, and a strong flotilla of tornedo-boat destroyers.

A squadron of submarines has arrived at Dover, and taken up its war position. The Home Fleet has moved south and concentrated at Portland, where the Cruiser Squadron is assembling.

Rather cold N.E. breezes; cloudy or dull TO-DAY'S WEATHER Lighting up time: 5.31 p.m. Sea pasdenerally; damp and misty at times.

COURT OF INOUIRY.

Commission Will Probably Meet King Edward Shows His Interest in France.

"THE CASE CLOSED."

Reuter's Agency learns that a special convention is being arranged between Great Britain and Russia with a view to the establishment of an In-

Russia with a view to the establishment of an International Commission of Inquiry to investigate the facts of the North Sea incident.

It is believed probable that the Commission will consist of high judicial authorities of neutral nationality aided by naval experts.

When the preliminary inquiries, which are being made at Hull and Vigo by the British and Russian authorities respectively, are completed delegates representing the cases of Great Britain and Russian will appear before the International Commission for the purpose of arguing the case and bringing forward witnesses, where necessary, who will be liable to cross-examination.

The venue of this Commission is not yet decided. It will probably be in France.

It is announced, says the Hull correspondent of the Press Association, that the engagement of Dr. Herbert Woodhouse to represent Russia at the adjourned inquest on the victims of the North Sea outrage has been cancelled, "on the ground that the Russian Government now consider the case closed."

CURIOUS RUSSIAN STORY.

Yarrow's Yard?

ST. PETERSBURG, Monday.-With reference to the statement of the Japanese Government that since the beginning of the war it has neither purthe statement of the Japanese Government that since the beginning of the war it has neither purchased nor ordered warships in Great Britain, the "Bourse Cazette" to-day publishes a telegram from its London correspondent, declaring that two months ago there were two turbine boats lying in Messrs. Yarrow's yards on the Thames, which could have been converted into torpedo-boats in a very short space of time.

The correspondent continues: "I have been informed by shipbrokers in Leadenhall-street that Japan acquired both vessels. Might this not have some bearing on Admiral Rojestvensky's statement regarding the attack on the leading wessel of the control of the control of the proposition of the leading vessel of "I is a quite possible that the purchase of the boats was not made on official instructions from Tokio, but it could be easily proved that many purchases have been made in London for the Iapanese which were approved from Tokio only after the completion of the transactions, "In any case, we have here positive confirmation of Admiral Rojestvensky's explanation of the encounter in the North Sea, and these facts may assist the court of inquiry in getting to the bottom of the fafair."—Reuter.

MAD WITH FRIGHT.

Russian Warships Fire in Terror at a Small Skiff.

BERLIN, Monday.—The "Kieler Neueste Nach-richten" to-day recounts various instances of the nervousness shown by the officers and men of the Baltic Fleet.

Baltic Fleet.

"The German sailors were much anused," the journal says, "by the Russian fear of mines, and when the pilots pointed out the impossibility of mines floating about in neutral waters thronged with shipping the Russian officers only answered, 'Anything can be done for money.'

"In the Great Belt the fleet began to fire indiscriminately at the shipping, and when it entered the Little Belt the flagship fired two shots at a small skiff which had inadvertently come within the danger radius. Fortunately no damage was done."

The Press continues to maintain absolute silence with regard to the firing on the German trawler Sonniag.—Reuter.

Renter

SELF-STYLED EMPEROR ARRESTED.

For refusing to give his name when requested upon arriving at Bari, Southern Italy, a young man was arrested who was said to be M. Jacques Lebaudy, the self-styled Emperor of the Sahara. It was announced from Rome last night that by order of the Italian Foreign Ministry "his Majesty" had been released.

Leeds has on its city register the names of 4,100 nemployed. To 750 married men the corporation unemployed. 's giving work.

"I think it was preordained I should steal," remarked a boy named Francis Naylor when charged with stealing postal orders at Newcastle-on-Tyne yesterday.

A detective at the Birmingham Quarter Sessions yesterday said the prisoner was a "sarbut," which he explained was a "man who gets information from thieves for the police."

ROYAL SYMPATHY.

in the Crane's Boatswain.

At the request of the King, Sir Frederick Treves, the world-famous surgeon, was present at the London Hospital yesterday during the operation on Henry Hoggart, the boatswain of the Crane.

Hoggart had been shot by the Russians through the left shoulder, had a fractured humerus, one hand was blown off above the wrist, and he had various wounds, including one in the neck two

His Majesty took a special interest in Hoggart, who was by far the most badly injured.

Sir Frederick told Hoggart the King had sent a message sympathising with him and wishing him a speedy recovery. Hoggart was delighted, and speedy recovery. Hoggart was delighted, and heered up wonderfully. He bore the operation manfully, and later in the ay Sir Frederick Treves reported the result to

He bore the operation manutary, and the and day Sir Frederick Treves reported the result to the King.

His Majesty has directed that he shall be informed of the boatswain's condition daily.

Hoggart's favourite joke is to point to the stump of his left arm and talk with a pathetic humour of his future with a monkey and a "hurdy-gurdy."

He has promised to play gratis to all the nursing staff, with whom he is a great favourite.

DANGER NOT OVER

Were the Phantom Torpedo-boats from Russia United on the Torpedo-boat Storv.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Vigo, Monday.-It is understood that England has requested the Japanese authorities to make a statement regarding the presence of torpeda-Beats

statement regarding the presence of torpedis-Batts in the North Sea with the purpose of their giving an official repudiation of the story, but whether that is done or not Russia intends to emerge from the North Sea incident with all the honorrs.

The Russians are absolutely united on the torpedo-boat story, the more so since they feel the sting of ridicule and the charge of "nervousness." I am deeply impressed by the fact that the danger of hostilities is by no means over, and I would cite the confident, not to say traculent, attitude of the Russian Fleet and the absolute unanimity as to the truth of the torpedo-boat story in support of my view.

JAPANESE CLEVERNESS.

Authority on Nursing Praises Their War Arrangements,

Miss McCaul, who was received a few days ago by the Queen, on her return from an important mission to the Far East having for its object the study of the Japanese Red Cross Society, has given an interview to a Reuter representative. "There can be no doubt," she said, "that the Japanese are ahead of us in the management of field

are ahead of us in the management of field hospitals.

"No women nurses are allowed at the front, all the work being done by men."

"Both among the Russian and the Japanese wounded I found that the bullet holes were very small and clean wounds which healed very quickly. The Japanese gave me a complete infantry equipment and a collection of ambulance appliances to bring home to show to people in England."

SCHOOL OF WHALES.

Giant Mammal Dives Under Hamburg-American Liner.

The passengers of the Hamburg-American liner Phœnicia, which called at Dover yesterday on her way to New York, witnessed an extraordinary sight when some fifty miles off the North Foreland.

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Captain B. Foster, the pilot, said that when they
were approaching the North Linder lightship in
the North Sea he observed what seemed to be
several large jets of steam being projected high
into the air.

It was soon seen that a school of whales were
approaching. A little later one of the mammals,
which was judged to be quite 60ft. in length,
suddenly came up very-close to the liner's port side,
and, being alarmed, arched its back and dived
clean under the huge ship—coming up again about
a half-mile off.
Captain Foster states he has never seen a school

Captain Foster states he has never seen a school of whales so near the Dover Straits before.

Mr. Frederick Langworthy, a Bristol solicitor, began to practise in 1869 with £100 lent by a friend. At a meeting of his creditors yesterday it was stated that he now owed £36,000, of which £26,000

ADVANCE ON MUKDEN

Japanese Army Following Up Its Victory.

PORT ARTHUR DEFIANT.

.The Japanese army is now crossing the Sha-ho River in force. This forward movement follows the arrival of very considerable reinforcements.

As the Russian positions between the Sha-ho and Mukden are strongly fortified, another great battle may be expected this week.

Already an attack has been developed upon the left wing of the Russian army, but it is believed that this is a feint. The real Japanese attack will probably be delivered upon the Russian right, which covers the road to Mukden.

The assault upon Port Arthur is also being

The assault upon Forman pressed with tremendous activity.

It is believed, however, that two more assaults must be delivered before an attempt can be made.

KUROPATKIN REINFORCED.

Greatest Battle of the War About to Begin.

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS (undated).—
The lines are so close that outposts are impossible, and at night pickets cree out a few yards on both sides, retiring again before dawn. Nervous tension is reaching breaking point, and a great battle might be precipitated by a single man losing presence of mind under the strain.

The first use of searchlights in field operations during this war is now being made by the Russians, Kuropatkin has been largely reinforced since Liao-vang.

The Japanese are in excellent physical condition, and it is believed the next movement will bring about the greatest battle in the war.—Reuter.

MUKDEN, Monday .- After several days of quiet-MUKDEN, Monday,—Anter several days or quees ness big guns commenced booming in the south-east last night, continuing until early this morning. Fighting is taking place between reconnotiving parties. The Japanese have crossed the Sha-ho in the south-east. A big battle is expected this

week.
Unless the Russians are successful it will pro-bably be the last under the present arrangement.
A complete reorganisation of the army is in pro-gress.—Reuter.

STOESSEL'S RESOLVE.

Will Not Surrender While 1,000 Men Are Left.

The cordon around Port Arthur is drawing nearer, and a terrific bombardment is now taking

place. The garrison is said to be much depressed by the non-arrival of the Baltic Fleet and by General Kuropatkin's failure to relieve the stronghold. General Stoessel is quoted as saying that, while one thousand men were left, he would not sur-

The most recent success gained by the Japanese was the capture of a position on the slopes of Erlungshan.

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The side of the nill was almost vertical, and the Japanese used the holes caused by the shells as footholds, successfully storming it in the face of fierce resistance after half an hour.

It is stated that the Japanese have renewed their proposal of surrender to General Stoessel in terms which would amply save the military honour of the warrison.

The Batavier, with President Kruger's body on board, sailed from Rotterdam yesterday for South Africa. Dr. Leyds was a passenger.

At Chadwell, Hertfordshire, yesterday a commer-cial traveller, named Frederick Bew, was found in his garden with his throat cut. He died while being taken to the hospital.

Twenty shillings fine was inflicted on a constable at Enfield Police Court yesterday for striking with a stick a young man whom he suspected of warning Sunday gamblers of his approach.

During his present visit to England Herr Ballin is, it is stated, negotiating for the building of a new liner of about 25,000 tons for the Hamburg-American Line.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Owing to the great demand for advertisement space in the "Dally Mirror," we regret we are compelled to hold over several adver-tisements from to-day's issue. These will appear as soon as

MR. DAN LENO DEAD.

Famous Comedian Succumbs to Heart Failure.

HIS OWN LIFE STORY.

From Clog Dancer to King's Jester.

After years of intermittent ill-health Mr. Dan Leno, the famous comedian, died of heart failure at his house in Clapham Park yesterday morning.

The merry little man, whose inimitable manner, maint "business," and wonderful patter, have made him such a universal favourite, had long been suffering from a form of mental paralysis, and though the end came rather suddenly it was not altogether unexpected.

His was a strange and chequered career. As a young man he had a hard struggle to make a bare living, and a few years ago he said to a friend, "I should like to make £500 a week."

He was at the time earning over £300 a week, and

said he did not want the money for its own sake but he wanted to be able to say he had carned it.

His Antobiography.

In the autobiography which he wrote last year he said:

he said:—
"I came into the world without a penny in my pocket. The incident occurred at King's Cross, London. I made my first public appearance at the Cosmotheea, a music-hall in the Edgware-road, at the age of three.
"I was an acrobat, but when five years old I had an accident, and that put an end to my acrobatic performance, so I took to dancing instead. My father died about this time, and my stepfather's name was Leno. That hame I adopted.

"I made my next appearance with my brother at a music-hall in the north of London. We danced on the stage surrounded by mirrors. In 1867 my parents went to Edinburgh. They incheded to return to London, but it was not until 1881 that I appeared in London again.
"I had a chequered career at first, often going Langery and footsore for days when times were had.

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"I won my fame in the first instance with my rlog-dancing. In 1880 the contest for a champiomship belt for elog-dancing was announced at Leeds, and I won it. It was then I adopted the name of Dan Leno. Before that I was "George."

"I won the belt three times. Then the judges awarded it to seasone else. I disputed their verdict and dispute it still. However, the 'winner lost it the next year. I won it, and still hold it.

"I appeared in London as a clog-dancer at Gatti's, Forester's, and the Middlesex. But the public preferred my songs. I became a comedian, and have remained one ever since."

Dying in his forty-fourth year, the genial little man won his way from penury to riches; from obscurity to being the most famous comic singer of the world, who had been commanded to appear before the King of England.

the world, who had been commanded to appear be-fore the King of England.

Of that event he wrote:—
"It was the greatest day of my life, and my hap-piness was complete when the King shook me by the hand and the Queen took my hand in hers."

The pantomime-loving public will sorely miss him from Druy Lane this year, and so will those who worked there with him.

Sorrow of the Profession.

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Mr. Arthur Collins, the manager of the Druy Lane Theatre, yesterday expressed his great sorrow to hear that the comedian was no more.

"He was genial and popular with all the members of the company, and always had a stock of unrehearsed jokes. Indeed, with Dan on the boards rehearsals partook largely of the nature of little friendly parties," he said.

"Only three weeks ago he supped with Mr. Hickory Wood and myself in town. We discussed his part in the forthcoming pantomime. He was then most enthusiastic about it, quite looking forward to its production.

Mr. Frank Glenister, the manager of the Pavilion Music Hall, where the popular comedian made his last appearance some ten days ago, said: His Last Joke.

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"The last time he came to rehearsal he came on in a very jolly sort of way, and everybody was delighted to welcome him.

"Then he felt in his pocket. 'No, I've come back,' said Dan, producing an enormous old-fashioned pistol, and, pointing it to the band, 'I'm going to shoot you all if you don't play properly.

"He was the most open-heated, liberal man I ever met," said Mr. Jesse Sparrow, the manager of the Camberwell Music Hall, who was intimate with Dan Leno for twenty-two years. "He was quite teckless over money, and was always putting his hand in his pocket to help others.

"He himself always attributed his recent brain trouble to a fall off his bicycle."

Some characteristic anecdotes of Mr. Leno appear on page 7.

"C.O.D." DROPPED.

the Postmaster-General.

About fifty representatives of various retail trades were received at the G.P.O. by Lord Stanley vesterday, and, after a vigorous protest against the proposed cash-on-delivery system had been entered, the Postmaster-General withdrew the proposal, so far as this country is concerned.

"I withdraw it with regret," he said; "the opposition is so strong, and I regret that the opposition is so strong."

The chief objections put forward by the deputa-

The chief objections put forward by the deputation were that:—

It was a system fraught with many complications. It would aim a blow at the small shopkeeper and the rating authority.

It would offer advantages to the fraudulent advertiser.

It would throw out of employment 77,300 commercial travellers—15,006 in London alone.

Replying to the deputation Lord Stanley told them that the Post Office must do as was thought best for the majority of the community, and tradesmen must not imagine that they were the whole of the people of the country.

In conclusion, Lord Stanley said that, as the opposition was so strong, he did not intend to put C.O.D. into effect in this country, but he promised to introduce some system dealing with the Colonies so as to facilitate trade between the Colonies and frent Britain.

CAUTIOUS AMEER.

Asked To Visit India, Fears He May Lose His Throne.

PESHAWAB, October 5.—The following advices have been received here from Kabul:—
It is said in Kabul that the British Government has asked the Ameer to proceed to India on a friendly visit during the winter scason, in order to afford the public a practical proof of the friendship existing between Alghanistan and Great Britain.

The Ameer has issued a statement to the effect that a visit by him to India is not likely to produce any good result, because, should any disturbance occur in Kabul during his absence, the Governmeat, instead of helping him, would be ready to detain him in custody and offer the Afghan throne to some other person.

It is said that the Ameer has had the following prochamation lung up in a glass case in the Kabul

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The Ameer takes God to be his witness that The Ameer takes God to be his witness that he has pardoned all the refugees in Russia, Persia, and India, except Mohammed Ayub and Yakub Sher Ali Khan and one Isa Khan (? Ishak Khanl, who, being born of an Armani woman, is a foul traitor.—Reuter.

TO THE UTTERMOST FARTHING.

Victorious "Wee Kirk" Ministers Demand All the Church's Property.

The thirty Free Church ministers of Scotland to whom the House of Lords decision gave all the property of the United Free Church have sent to

property of the United Free Church have sent to the beaten party a demand for all the property, churches, manses, and funds. The uttermost farthing is to be exacted. The demand has created much indignation in Scotland. There are 1,100 churches with manses, and if the property is not handed over quietly the ministers occupying them will be exicted.

BABY DIES FROM ALCOHOLISM.

At an inquest at Kensington yesterday on the body of a baby, aged twenty-one months, a doctor stated that death was due to chronic alcoholism. The mother explained that the child was prematurely born, and that a doctor told her that its life could only be prolonged by giving it brandy-and-water.

The jury returned a verdict that death was accelerated by improper feeding, and requested the coroner to censure the mother.

In doing so the coroner again called attention to the appaling rate of mortality amongst infants due to improper feeding.

DEATH OF A VETERAN HUNTSMAN.

The death occurred at Ruswarp, near Whitby, on Saturday, of Mr. John Carr, a veteran of the chase, whose photograph appears on page 8. Deceased was in his ninety-fifth year, and from being eleven years old up to the time he was eighty-two years of age, he regularly rode to the hounds. He was huntsman for some years of the Eskdale pack, and was known as a daring and most skilful rider.

As Christmas falls on a Sunday this year the Early Closing Association is making a great effort to induce employers to close their shops on the Tuesday, to make up for the day's holiday which the workers will otherwise lose.

ROSEBERY DICTA.

Vein at Kingston.

NEGLECTED SCOTT NOVEL.

At Kingston-on-Thames, yesterday, the Earl of Rosebery sounded a note of warning to those who have been clamouring for an instant settlement of England's difficulty with Russia.

As high steward of the berough he opened the

municipal museum and art gallery, which has been erected at a cost of £6,000; and speaking at a luncheon afterwards said :-

"I would say one word in regard to that (the Baltic outrage) dispute, and it is this, that we do

Baltic outrage) dispute, and it is this, that we do not sufficiently put ourselves in the position of the other side. I cannot conceive any justification that is possible for the abominable outrage that was committed on our fleet.

"But when our countrymen clamoured—on learning of the news on Monday—that something violent should be done on Tuesday, they were apt to forget that the movements of Covernments are alow, and that any self-respecting Government must make inquiries of its own agent on the spot and receive a report from its own agent on the spot before it is able, however ready it may be, to render the most complete satisfaction to the offended parties."

Blessings of Civilisation

The speech which his Lordship delivered earlier in the day in the museum itself was in a lighter vein. He referred to the boasting about the blessings of our present-day civilisation which is so often heard, and said he wondered what our Csaon foresthers would think about it if they could return to

see it.

Their Saxon fathers themselves had a very considerable civilisation, which perhaps was most vividly portrayed in the pages of Sir Walter Scott's "Iranhoe," he said, although he was told that nobody but people of his age read "Ivanhoe" now—they had some superior authors of the name of Henty and the like.

HALLOWE'EN IN LONDON.

Children Sing Songs to Fairies While Sweethearts Burn Lovers' Nuts.

Last night was Hallowe'en-variously known as All Hallows Eve and All Saints Eve-when Scots annually celebrate one of the brightest domestic evenings in their Calendar of Mirth.

Hallowe'en is cherished by Scotsmen mainly as

On its perpetuation depends the fairy lore and superstition to which the Celtic temperament clings firmly and fondly.

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London Scots are not a whit behind their "brithers" who have stayed on the home side of the Tweed. In hundreds of London Scottish families last night children ducked for apples in wash-tubs, bit at the swinging fruit that dangled from the ceiling, and sung songs to the fairies.

Elder sons and daughters burned nuts, fondly trusting they would simmer away harmoniously together instead of parting with a dramatic puff that betokens disaster to love's young dream.

VICAR'S OPINION OF SUNDAY BAND.

It is not often that a clergyman makes such a strongly-worded protest as that which the Rev. Dr. Eyre, vicar of All Saints', Scarborough, has made against the proposal that a band should play on the Spa of that town on Sunday exentings. He writes in his journal that it would be a piece of bare-faced, cold-blooded money-grubbing and mammon worship.

"The innovation would be mercenary, unnecessary, inexpedient, selfish in aim, and mischievous in far-reaching results.

LEVTONSTONE CELLAR MURDER.

William Hoffmann, who gave himself up to the Dover police and confessed to the murder of his young housekeeper, Helen Walden, at Leytonstone, was brought to London yesterday, and will be charged at Stratford Police Court to-day.

A photograph of Helen Walden appears on page 9.

BOVISH LABOUR DISPUTE.

Incensed at the discharge of a youth employed on the Ealing and Harrow Extension Line, some half a dozen of his companions have made a demon-stration in force at Perivale Station (near Ealing). They got no further than the entrance, however, where this juvenile rebellion was quelled by the

Lord Avebury, speaking in favour of free trade at the Londom Institution last night, said that Eng-land's commerce was the largest in the world, and had increased quite as much as anyone had a right to reasonably expect.

INCOMPETENT OFFICERS.

"Withdrawn, with Regret," by Two Speeches in Grave and Gay Bad Spellers and Prone to "Ignore the Enemy."

It is some considerable time since a more sweeping indictment of British Army officers has been made than that contained in a document just circulated by General Hutchison.

The following are some typical strictures, as the result of observations at the examination for promotion of officers :-

A regrettable feature of the examination was the bad spelling, combined with an inability to express themselves clearly, of a large number of the candidates.

In describing the results of the examination as notifierent, the report notes:—

Failure on the part of the candidates to correctly appreciate the situation and to weigh the possibilities and probabilities of the enemy's

action.

The majority of the examinees ignored the enemy or gave him little credit for intelligence. Lack of ability to read the map. Inability to place troops on the map so that the disposition could be clearly understood. Carelessness in reading the questions.

A TINY "TEMPEST."

Pretty Private Performance at His Majesty's Theatre Yesterday.

Mr. Tree's enthusiasm must be infectious Mr. Tree's enthusiasm must be infectious.

In "The Tempest" he employs a number of little girls. To some of these mikes it occurred that it would be very nice for once to be "principals" in the play instead of "extra ladies." So they learnt and rehearsed the whole piece under the guidance of the call-boy, and when they were ready they asked Mr. Tree if they might act it on

gradulther asked Mr. Tree if they might act it on the stage.

"Certainly," said Mr. Tree, and lent them the theatte vesterday afternoon, when their mothers and aunts and little sisters mustered in great force. It was the prettiest sight imaginable. The tiny Caliban gave a finished imitation of Mr. Tree, and Mr. Tree looked on and laughed outright. Ariel was a perfect darling. Prospero had a grave dignity that was quite fascinating.

The whole piece went through without a hitch. The prompter's voice was never once heard. As for the call-hoy, he covered himself with glory-even to the extent of requesting Mr. Tree to leave the wings "because, sir, you get in our way."

There was at least one hardened playgoer there who had not enjoyed anything so much for years.

NEWS SEEN IN PICTURES.

Dean Explains the Striking Success of the "Daily Mirror."

The latest development of modern journalism, of which the Daily Mirror is the most striking example, was referred to by Dean Lefroy in a sermon he preached at Norwich Cathedral.

The Dean said that in the hurry of the century we seemed compelled to take in knowledge of current events in a pictorial form.

This accounted for the extraordinary growth of pictorial journals in the last few years.

Many folk could not afford time to go through the ordinary daily Press, still less our "Times" newspaper, and they found it a relief to turn to the dilustrated papers and there see the events of the day presented in pictorial form.

MEDAL FOR BABY HERO.

James Nield, a child of five years of age, was at Blackburn presented with a silver medal yesterday for his heroic rescue of his baby brother from fire. The two children were sleeping alone in a house when James was awakened by an outbreak of fire in their bedroom. He rushed out into the street, but, hearing his baby brother screaning, ran back and carried him out, the house being afterwards burnt to the ground.

SATANIC STATUE FOR SALE.

Mr. Wilson, of Tuxford Hall, Notts, who died recently, was in his lifetime a wealthy eccentric. In his grounds he constructed a deep pit, which represented "Hell," pressiled over by a figure of Satan, bound to the earth with chains.

These singular relics are now to be offered for sale.

Family Washing

is only half as much labour since Fels-Naptha came; and clothes last two or three times as long. Go by the book.

Fels-Naptha 39 Wilson street London E Q

YESTERDAY'S DIVORCES.

Solicitor Sees a Strange Apparition at Midnight.

TELEGRAM BRINGS TROUBLE.

Several strange stories were told in the Divorce Court yesterday when Sir Francis Jeune had before him a list of twelve "undefended cases."

Mr. Francis Stephen Robinson is a well-known Blackheath solicitor. Last year he was living with his wife at Allborough House, Westbourne Park-

his wife at Allborough House, Westbourne Parkroad.

Returning unexpectedly one night from Hampstead be was standing in the front garden finishing
his cigar when suddenly a tall man advanced to the
gate. Before Mr. Robinson could step forward his
wife ran to the gate, and spoke to the man, who
vanished as silently as he had come.

Some few nights afterwards there were
mysterious sounds in the house in the small hours.
Mr. Robinson looked out of a window and saw a
tall figure excepting from the grounds.

A little while after that Mr. Robinson had to
sit up very late over some work. As he sat there
came a tap at the window. He went to the door,
and there in front of him stood a tall figure, the
same as he had seen before.

"Is Miss Lane in?" mutered the figure. Miss
Lane was a servant in the house, and the master
told the intruder that he had no business to ask
such questions at that time of night.

Mr. Robinson, becoming very uneasy, then made
a systematic inquiry into the reason of these apparitions. He found that his wife had been carrying
on an intrigue with a local lamplighter?

The solicitor was granted a divorce yesterday.

TALE OF THE GOOD YOUNG MAN.

Arthur Edward Rabbetts, who is a steward or Arthur Edward Rabbetts, who is a steepward to a liner, was an imperiuous young man of only twenty years of age in 1896. In that year ale became instanted with a Southampton girt—a girl whom he met in the Southampton streets. Thinking, as he explained to the Court yesterday, that the was much aspector to the unhappy class to which she belonged, and could be reclaimed, he

married lier.

Then a good young man came on the scene.
When Rabbetts returned from a voyage he learnt
from his wife that she had made friends with a niceyoung man named Wallis, who was very religious.
Mr. Wallis, she said, was a leading member of a
mission hall which she attended, and preached on
the Economials hearth.

mission hall which she attended, and preached on the Freemantle beach.
Rabbetts saw no liarm in this acquaintance, and when he sailed away again had consented to Wallis being taken in as a bodger in his house.
Then came disillusionment. There were reports that Mrs. Rabbetts and the good young man had been seen intoxicated together. Wallis was forbidden the house, but Rabbetts found a briar pipe inardly out on the mantlepiece when he returned from another voyage. He was given a decree nisi.

MYSTERY OF THE ANONYMOUS TELEGRAM.

MYSTERY OF THE ANDNYMOUS TELEGRAM.

The matried life of Dr. Herbert Knevitt, of Elm Villas, Ealing, had been very unhappy when the following strange event occurred.

His wife had been separated from him some little while, an arrangement that they should live apart having been come to on account of the lady's violence. One evening the following telegramsent by whom he knew not—was handed to him :—

"You fool. Alt Ealing is laughing at you. Inquire Coran-street, where Rothwell visited your wife night after night. She is now in his arms at the Royal York Hotel, Brighton."

To Coran-street and the Royal York Hotel Dr. Knevitt accordingly went. He was told at the hotel that a Mr. and Mrs. Rothwell were visitors. They were out, but had arranged to dine in the hotel at 6 jcm.

But when they came back and found who had been inquiring for them they packed up and returned to town by the 5 p.m. train—dinnerless.

This case resulted, too, in a decree his.

ELOPEMENT MYSTERY SOLVED.

Where was Mrs. Phillips?
Mr. Justice Barnes, in the Divorce Court yesterday, was told how this question, which some time ago greatly puzzled Mr. Phillips, formerly a grocer at Pontypool, was eventually solved.
Mrs. Phillips came into an income of £400 a year and then disappeared. A young man, named Brown, Mr. Phillips's assistant, had also disappeared.

peared.
Then it came to Mr. Phillips's knowledge that a Twickenham bookseller had received the following message from a lady customer: "Mrs. Brown will be glad if Mr. Pritchard will send her the 'Mystery of the Castle Gloom.' It has been published over a week."
This note cuabled Mr. Phillips to establish the fact that Mrs. Phillips was living with the youth, Brown, as his wife—and to get a divorce yesterday.

To-morrow a statue will be unveiled in the churchyard of St. Giles, Cripplegate, in honour of the poet Milton.

SAVED BY A BUTTON.

Lovers' Tiff Narrowly Escapes a Tragic Ending.

The chance intervention of a button has saved a lovers' tiff from what might have been a tragic

ending.

The incident was described at Marylebone Police Court yesterday when Jean Pasquerean, a waiter, of French nationality, was charged with wounding Mand Challis, a cook, in service at Powis-square, Bayswater, and with attempting suitcide.

When Pasquerean called to see his sweetheart, the cook, on Sınıday evening, she sent him out for some beer. Upon his return he drank it all, and the cook called out: "Oh, greedy! You are drinking it all, and I have paid for it?"

She explained to the magistrate that the remark was only made in fun, but that Pasquerean took it seriously, and that when a little later she again chaffed him he attacked her with a table-knife. Pasquegeau then tried to inflict a dangerous injury upon himself, but the blade caught on one of the buttons of his coat and snapped into three pieces.

pieces.

In answer to the magistrate, the cook said that Pasquereau was "frightfully jealous." The prisoner's explanation was that the whole affair was an accident.

The magistrate fined him 25, and bound him over in 210, saying he had got off very lightly.

COLONEL'S LIBEL ACTION.

Officer's Conduct of the Sale of Stores Criticised.

A libel action brought by Colonel Morgan against the "Daily News" was mentioned before Mr. Justice Grantham, in the King's Bench Division,

yesterday.

Mr. Ruius Isaacs, K.C., asked that an early date for the trial-should be fixed under special circumstances. It was an action by Colonel Morgan against the "Daily News" for libelling him in his capacity as Director of the Store Supply in South Africa under Lord Kitohener and his sup-

The libel, continued counsel, substantially charged Colonel Morgan with being a party to the sale of stores at very low prices in order that a very large profit should be recouped, of which he was

His Lordship said he would order that the case should be taken on March 1, if possible, and not before March 1.

GIRLS' ADMISSIONS OF FOLLY.

Casual Acquaintance Prosecuted for Stealing Their Money.

Two girls, who charged a young barman named Percy Furnish, at Marylebone, yesterday, with having tricked them out of their money, showed by their stories that they had been quite ready to

trust a stranger whom they had casually met in the street.

One of them, Beatrice Harman, a domestic servant, said that after a walk in Hyde Park she accepted Furnish's offer to take a drink in a publichouse, and acceled to his request that he should take care of her purse, which contained her watch. He made a pretext to leave the publichouse for a minute, but did not return.

Florence Skinner, an accountant, told a similar story. She met Furnish, whom she had not known previously, in Edgware-road. He said, "Little girl, you are proud," and went on to say that he had just some from the Colonies and wha very wealthy.

She alleged that they were leaving a mublichouse

She alleged that they were leaving a public-house together when he asked her to let him take care of her purse, and subsequently left her without restoring it.
Furnish was remanded.

TO PROVE HER SANITY.

The Court of Appeal was asked yesterday to permit proceedings to prove the sanity of a lady, Eleanor Vanse Walker, who was found to be insane so long ago as 1899.

She had an income of .23,000 a year, and wished to prove her capacity to execute a will in order to provide for relations dependent on her.

The case was adjourned.

SCOTSMAN'S "DEGENERACY."

In answer to Mr. Fordham, the North London magistrate, an elderly bookbinder named Donald McKay, who pleaded guilty to being drunk, said it was not Scotch whisky, but gin-and-water by which he had been overcome.

Mr. Fordham: A degenerate drink for a man with such an honoured name. Pay three shillings, or go to prison for three days.

Two page boys, named Pilkington and Everitt, were bound over at Mariborough-street yesterday for stealing 3s. 8d. from their employers, Messrs. Dickins and Jones,

MILK AND TYPHOID.

Dairy's Alleged Responsibility for a Lady's Death.

Mr. Justice Grantham and a special jury were occupied for the greater part of yesterday in con sidering an action raising issues of much importance to milkmen and their customers

A Mr. Ralph Frost, who lives at Ealing, last July lost his wife, who died of typhoid fever. He alleges that the cause of Mrs. Frost's death can be traced to milk supplied at the Ealing depot of the Aylesbury Dairy Co., Ltd.

The company guaranteed their milk as pure, and Mr. Frost is suing them for damages for breach

and Mr. Frost is suing them for tramages for breach of warranty.

Mr. Duke, K.C., the plaintiff's counsel, stated that at the time of Mrs. Frost's death there were twenty-three other cases of typhoid fever in the district, and that in every instance it was found that the milk supply was obtained from the Ealing' depot of the Aylesbury Dairy Co.

It was then discovered that part of the company's supply of milk came from a farmer named Keevil at Shrivenham, and that there was a case of typhoid in the dairywoman's cottage, her son being very ill with it, and, in fact, dying from the disease.

The supply of milk from that farm was stopped, but unfortunately the mischief had then been done.

The hearing was adjourned.

BLAWING A STORM.

Lady's Nerves Upset by an Alarming Shopping Experience.

A claim for damages arising out of a remarkable accident was heard by Mr. Justice Bucknill and a

common jury yesterday.

The action was brought by a Mrs. Blanch Holliday against Mr. Mardell, an upholsterer, in West-

day against Mr. Mardell, an upholsterer, in West-bourne-grove I last, shortly before her marriage, Mrs. Holliday was in the defendant's establish-ment, making purchases, when, without warning, the coping-stone and comice of the building crashed through the roof, killing an assistant and injuring several other persons, including plaintiff. Mrs. Holliday said she had sustained serious in-juries to her head and shock to her nervous system, and had since been unable to follow her employ-ment.

The defence was that the accident was cause by a severe storm, and was not due to defendant

negligence.
The jury disagreed and were discharged.

CRUEL STEPMOTHER.

Boy Driven Under His Bed and Brutally Beaten.

A bright little boy, nine years of age, named Sidney Harback, told a pitiful story at West Ham Police Court yesterday of his stepmother's cruelty

to him.

She came to him when he was in bed, he said, and made him get out and go under the bed. When she went downstairs he began to cry.

She came up again and hit him with a broom while he was under the bed, and she also kicked him on the head and the face with her shoes.

Two of the other children said their stepmether did not treat Sidney the same as she did the other children. He did not get as much food as they did, and the other children had given him some of the contraction.

The stepmother, Alice Harback, pleaded that she had been under the influence of drink. The magistrate sent her to gaol for a month with hard

Her husband, James Harback, who was charged with attempting to commit suicide by taking spirits of salts, was released after he had promised to be of good behaviour in the future. "That woman has been my ruin," he said, referring to his wife.

PUNCH AND JUDY STILL POPULAR.

Proof that the Punch and Judy show still retains its popularity was afforded yesterday by the charge against John Baugham, who was bound over at Mariborough-street for causing an obstruction in Oxford-street on Saturday evening.

Such a large crowd—more than 200 persons—assembled to witness Baugham's Punch and Judy that traffic was seriously impeded.

CONSTABLE'S OBSERVANT EVE.

On duty in Hatton-garden late at night, Police-

on duty in nation-garden rate at night, Police-constable Pierce saw marks of blood on the railings in front of a merchant's office, and found that an area window had been broken. Entering the premises he discovered two men, named John Williams and George Wright, hiding under a desk. The Clerkenwell magistrate yes-terday committed the men for trial for house-break-ing.

In the case of Dr. Richard Blackburn Gorsuch, charged at Bow-street with attempting suicide, the magistrate vesterday, after reading the doctor's report, ordered the prisoner to be sent to an in-

THE SLATER CASE.

Pollard's Evidence at the Old Bailey.

DETECTIVE'S GENEROSITY.

An end came at the Old Bailey yesterday to the nonotonous recital of evidence given in the Divorce Court, which had already occupied three days of

The six defendants looked up expectantly as the name of Thomas Pollard was called and the chief witness in the previous proceedings entered the box. He replied in cool, unembarrased tones to the questions of Sir Edward Carson, the Solicitor-

eneral.

The Solicitor-General's opening questions dealt th Pollard's meeting with the defendant Davies Plymouth. "I didn't know he was a detective," at Plymouth.

Mr. Polard. Mr. Pollard told how the detective bought him whisky and sodas and boots," and took him for drive when "the coachman was so drunk he fell if the box."

Then Davies suggested they should go to Jersey, and when he objected that he had no money Davies said "That's all right." On arrival at Jersey Davies took him to "a house with green shutters."

Meeting with Osborn.

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Later Osborn made an appointment with him at Plymouth, and when the two met Osborn informed him his wife was to take proceedings against him. "She has finished with you," Osborn told me, and instinuated that I had misconducted myself with women, Mr. Pollard said."

Mr. Pollard denied most solemnly that he had ever misconducted himself with Maud Goodman. Next Mr. Gill rose, and proceeded to cross-examine Pollard, informing the Judge: "I propose to show the jury that this witness is quite incapable of giving a straightforward answer on any matter." Then Mr. Gill remoreslessly proceeded to cross-examine Mr. Follard as to his first wite, who died a year after marriage, and left him money. Two years after his second marriage his wife had the towork as they had no means.

Pressed by Mr. Gill, he even admitted that he had "pawned sheets," and been a frequent visitor at public-houses."

Mr. Gill: What did you do when you were not in public-houses?

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Pollard: I walked about when it was fine.

Mr. Gill: When it was wet I suppose you stopped in bed? Heaven forbid that you should have worked. Have you done a day's work for two years?—No, but I have helped friends.

Judicial Humour.

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Mr. Gill: To do nothing.

His Lordship: What is your business?

Witness stated that he had been "in the teatrade," and had also been "an insurance broker."

Lately he had suffered from paralysis.

Mr. Gill: But you have been able to walk about during the day.

His Lordship (gravely): He has undergone a very thorough treatment in audicinchough.

His Lordship (gravely): the has timergone a very thorough treatment in public-houses. Continuing, Pollard stated that the King's Protor had allowed him 15s. a week while the case was proceeding, and he had been bought "a brand new suit" for this trial. Mr. Gill. Did they give you a few shillings to spend in the evening, and take you out?—No, only we the first.

spend in the evening and take your bus fare.

His Lordship: They must have done Mr. Gill, or he would have pawned the sheets.

Sir Edward Carson: The real terror must have been that he would pawn the new suit.

Maud Goodman's Evidence

The next witness was Mand Goodman.

She told of Osborn's visit to Plymouth to get her to identify a photograph of Mr. Pollard and to sign a document to compromise him.

Osborn, in a hotel bar, offered her a sovereign to sign this statement, and said, "If you don't sign it someone else will."

The case was again adjourned.

Mr. Mead, the Thames magistrate, remarked to an applicant yesterday: "Brewers never appear happy unless they are taking advantage of their tenants. I am continually being told it is the usual thing."

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NEWS IN BRIEF FROM ALL PARTS.

The American Ambassador left London yester-day for Inverness.

During the past fortnight forty cases of smallpox have been notified at Oldham, as against twenty-eight in the preceding fortnight.

Lieutenant-Colonel Irvine, R.A.M.C., on his return from India has been appointed to the medical command of the First Cavalry Brigade at

"They took my liberty yesterday, and now they want to take my money. I'll do the time," dis-gustedly exclaimed a watchman fined for drunken-ness at Brentford yesterday.

Sir Samuel Montagu has again been appointed president of the East London Apprenticing Fund, which during its existence has been the means of apprenticing over seven hundred young people to useful occupations.

LINCOLN'S INN.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, treasurer of Lincoln's Inn, finds that he will not be able to dine in Hall there on the Grand Day of Michaelmas Term, on Thursday, November 17, as previously arranged.

STEPNEY'S FARM COLONY.

The Steppey Guardians are pleased with their experimental cultivation of surplus land adjoining their new schools at Stifford.

During the past season the Bromley and Ratcliff workhouses have been supplied with all their potatoes, and even the pig farm is successful.

ANOTHER THAMES MYSTERY.

Early yesterday morning the body of a man of about forty years of age was recovered from the Thames, off Kingston railway bridge.

The body had evidently been in the water for about three weeks, but identification has not yet been established.

POULTRY TWICE STOLEN.

On arresting two men at Preston carrying stolen poultry, a police constable called upon James Hughes to assist him.

tystead, however, of securing one of the prihe seized the bag containing the cocks and hens and made off. On a charge of stealing stolen poultry he has been committed for trial.

STRIKE THAT FAILED.

Yesterday morning the last stage of the strike of Covent Garden porters was reached, when a large number of union men applied for employment in the Floral Hall.

Non-minion men were given preference by the firms, who afterwards engaged some of the union men, the remainder being cleared from the hall by the police.

HORSE IN A DRAIN-PIPE.

As a horse and trap was passing down Tredegar road, Bow, yesterday, the horse slipped into a large excavation made by the main drainage con-

Itactors

It fell head first into a huge drain-pipe, and imprisoned a workman who was engaged closing the joints from the inside. When extricated an hour afterwards the horse was dead.

SECURING THE SPOILS.

Following the abortive attempt at compromise between the rival Scottish Churches, the "Wee"s Church authorities have now served notice on the "Free" Church claiming all the property in the churches, manes, and missions falling, under the Judgment of the House of Lords.

This indicates that the legal rights of the victorious party will be rigorously enforced.

WAITRESSES FOR GUARDIANS.

WATHERSEE FOR UNARDIANS.

Lambeth Guardians have decided that whilst they are partaking of their weekly cold lunch for the future at the workhouse two midds from the local Nurses' Institute shall wait upon them.

A lady guardian who entered an objection to the proposal—on the ground that it would lead to fliration between the junior clerks and the maids—

was overruled by the guardians.

HEARTY CENTENARIAN.

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James Arrowsmith, of Brunswick-street, Leigh,
Lancashire, has attained his hundredth year with
unimpaired faculties, except for slight deafness.

He reads without spectacles, drinks temperately,
and eats well. His descendants living include five
children, seven grandchildren, and five great grandchildren.

His father, who died many years ago, was also
a centenarian.

MISS CORELLI ON FOOTBALL.

Miss Marie Corelli, addressing a crowded audience at the Palace Theatre, Leicester, confessed that she knew nothing about football, but she noticed that fair play was always insisted on. She thought that was why it was such a national

game.

She did not believe that men who played footand go, would be likely to behave in the style of certain gallant officers of the Baltie Fleet.

Lord Wynford, who has just died, only succeeded his cousin as fifth baron in October last

At Bristol has been appointed a trustee of the estate of William F. Langworthy, solicitor. Lizties and assets stated as £26,000 and £14,000.

Prince Alexander of Teck will next Sunday un-veil the stained-glass window placed in St. Luke's Church, Kingston-on-Thames, in memory of his mother, the late Duchess of Teck.

Speaking at the Rudge-Whitworth meeting at Birmingham, Mr. Wallis, the chairman, said they were as well prepared as any firm to meet the reduced prices in cycles which would rule in future.

A woman complained at Southwark that a pair of gold earnings and a valuable cross were missing from her handbag, which was kept at Kennington-road Police-station whilst she was undergoing im-

Lady Gardiner, widow of General Sir Henry Lynedoch Gardiner, K.C.V.O., Equerry to Queen Victoria, and afterwards Groom-in-Waiting and Bath King at Arms, died yesterday morning at Thatched House Lodge, Richmond Park, aged eighty-three years.

MUNICIPAL LODGING-HOUSES.

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With reference to the new lodging-house the London County Council are about to erect in Drury-lane at a cost of £50,000, it is pointed out that the lodging-house they already possess in the same locality is never full.

During the past mouth there were from thirty to sixty beds unoccupied every night, the charge for which is 6d. It seems doubtful therefore if the new house will be a success, especially at the increased charge of 7d. for a bed, which is necessary to allow a possibility of this latest municipal enterprise proving remunerative.

HOW PINS RUST.

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What becomes of all the pins, pens, and needles' has been settled to the satisfaction of a Liverpool doctor by experiment in his garden.

Hairpins, which he watched for 154 days, were worn away with rust by that time. Brass pins only last a very short time.

For highly-polished pins it required nearly a year and a half for their dissolution, while for polished needles nearly two years and a half are taken. Steel pens disappear after fifteen months, while their wooden holders are still intact.

SOLDIERS' FRIEND DEAD.

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The death has taken place at Edinburgh of Miss Edwina Lloyd, who for the last twenty-two years had acted as hon superintendent of the Soldiers' Home, Piershill, Edinburgh, and whose name is a household word to cavalry soldiers over the three kingdoms.

The home was practically the creation of Miss Lloyd, who a year ago was made the recipient of a handsome public testimonial in recognition of her twenty-one years' honorary service.

On being brought into the Abertillery Police Court on a charge of being drunk and disorderly, a man came from the cells singing "Mae'r perhadur wedi dod."

wedt dod."

It was explained to the magistrates that the translation of this Welsh song was "The sinner has arrived"—a novel method of pleading guilty which caused much amusement.

CONVICTED THROUGH A DAUGHTER.

To be sent to gaol for fourteen days on the evidence of her daughter, aged only four, was the dramatic experience of Catherine Lundy, at Man-

dramatic experience of Catherine Lundy, at Man-chester.

Some articles of clothing had been stolen from the prisoner's lodgings, and the child went to the landlady and said, "Mama has been in your room and taken your things," which she repeated in court, adding the information that her mother kept a key of the room in her bodice.

Mr. James Dalziel, father of Mr. J. H. Dalziel, M.P., has died suddenly at Greenbrae, Dumfries-

Improvements in the port of Douglas, to cost 2157,000, have been recommended by the Isle of Man Harbour Commissioners.

Whilst attending service at All Saints' Church Brighton, Mr. Frederick E. Harrison, aged eighty-four, of Chatham-place, died suddenly in his pew

Inside a 15lb. pike caught at Braintree, writes a correspondent of the "Fishing Gazette," was an ordinary meat-hook, made of 3-16 wire, and 3in.

The first year's operations of the Wyndham Land Act of 1903 closed yesterday. It is estimated that agreements for sales to the extent of £12,000,000 have been arranged.

SIXTY YEARS IN THE BELFRY.

Mr. J. R. Haworth claims to be the oldest London bellringer.
He is eighty-four years of age, and has been ringing the bells of St. Clement Danes for over

PRUNES AND GLYCERINE.

It is stated in the Hungarian official homological organ that quantities of the prunes which are arriving in Europe from America have been soaked in a fluid containing twelve per cent. of glycerine. This is done to increase their size and weight. They are being freely sold in this country.

ACCOMPLISHED PARROT.

During this week's sale of the Marquis of Anglescy's effects there will be offered a wonderful parrot, which is said to converse in three languages—English, Welsh, and French.

Other lots include the costly furniture of the

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Other lots include the costly furniture of the bijou theatre and crested stewpans and bicycles.

SUBMARINES AT DOVER.

For the next three weeks the submarine flotilla will be stationed at Dover.

Large crowds took great interest in their arrival yesterday, escorted by H.M.S. Hazard and torpedoboat No. 28. Photograph of the submarines mobilising appears on page 9.

WELBECK SHILLINGS.

For seeing over Welbeck and its famous under-ground galleries the Duke of Portland charges a fee of 1s.

The amount thus received is distributed among the local charities, which this year benefit to the extent of £308.

SOUNDLESS "BRASS BAND."

One of the Burnley churches has a "brass band" which is unable to accept numerous offers to enter in local band competitions, for the reason it has no

in focal band compositions of instruments.

It is composed entirely of ladies, and devotes its attention to keeping the brasswork in the church in proper order.

LOCOMOTIVE COMPETITION.

For their long-distance expresses the Great Western Railway are determined to secure the best engines available.

To this end they are ordering an American type known as the Philadelphia and Reading, and a French Deglehn, to be used in a series of exhaustive experimental runs against their own "City" type.

DRUMHEAD CABBAGE.

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The largest variety of the cabbage grown in this country—the drumhead—is now to be seen in shops. This kind, first heard of in George III.'s reign, was said to have greatly excited the interest of the Farmer King. Any cottager at Windsor who reared a specimen of this cabbage actually as big as a kettledrum head was sure of the reward of a guinea from his appreciative Sovereign.

CRICKET ON THE FLOOR.

St. Bride's Baths Transformed Into Winter Pitches.

The merry crack made by the impact of bat and ball, so softening to the ear of the ardent cricketer, was heard in the neighbourhood of Fleet-street yesterday when the St. Bride's Institute swimming baths were opened for the winter season as two first-class practice wickets.

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Tarrant, Middlesex's Colonial recruit, is in charge, and Albert Trott, of the smiling countenance and insidious ball, is his chief of staff.

To wish them goed lack in the entryise Mignon J. T. Hearne, Hayes, Huish, Hayward, and many other famous cricketers, visited the baths yesterday afternoon and evening, and all appeared delighted with the arrangements, which seem perfect. There, is little or no danger to a batsman, the matting and felt pitches being so perfectly true and fast, and the light so good, that the ball comes along easier than on the most perfect Oval wicket.

It seems as though the pitches are a trifle longer than the stipulated twenty-two yards, but that is an optical illusion. The baths are lighted by electic high-power and incandescent lamps of the total brilliancy of 5,000 candles.

Cricketers wishing to keep their hands and eyes in training during the long winter months can join now. Up to Christmas the charge will be 15s., from Christmas to the opening of the cricket season 30s., or a payment of 422 2s. will carry one through to the merry days of May. Over sixty members were enrolled yesterdays.

OCTOBER'S GOOD RECORD.

A Warm Month with Many Hours of Sunshine and Little Rain.

October, 1904, ended unpleasantly in London, where yesterday's continuous drizzle of rain was anything but conducive to amiability of temper.

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Less than two inches of rain fell last month against five inches in October, 1903, the average rainfall for the month being about three inches. Sunshine last month was a trifle below the average, but the days that were sunny were beautifully soft and warm.

The rainiest October known was in 1880, when close on 7½in. flooded the country. On the other hand, during October, 1897, less than ½in. fell.

Fifty-five hours of sunshine were enjoyed in London during the month. This is a trifle below the October average—of seventy hours—but above last year's record. The record was in 1883, when there were no less than 114 hours. October, 1902, produced only 31 hours. Last year there were 73. The average temperature of last month was high. The highest reading—68deg—on the 4th and 18th—is high, but not remarkable. During the last high as \$9deg—in October, 1898. But the month as a whole, and without being really hot, has included a very fair proportion of warm and sunny days.

The coldest temperature recorded in October for

days.

The coldest temperature recorded in October for the last thirty-five years was 24deg., on October 28, 1890. The coldest last month, 33deg., was on the 44th. One fierce gale has lashed our shores, causing grievous damage to shipping and much loss of 185

Unfortunately the weather experts say that the dull weather with which October closed is likely to continue into November.

MAYOR ON A WALL.

Quaint Scenes During the Beating of Paddington Bounds.

Passers-by in the region of Hyde Park-place early yesterday morning beheld about thirty top-hatted, frock-coated gentlemen swarming round the most portly of their number and assisting him to get astride the high wall surrounding St. George's

burial ground.

Behind stood a dozen or more small boys holding long willow branches and cheering the gallant climber.

elimber.

Hatless, dusty, and panting, the portly gentleman reached the top of the wall. He assisted his comrades to do likewise, and soon the whole thirty and the attendant boys were in the burial ground.

"Where," said the anxious bystanders, "are the palice?"

But there was no cause for alarm. The thirty gentlemen were the mayor and officers of the Paddington Borough Council. They were going through the ceremony of "beating the bounds" of the borough. They began in Edgware-road, and travelled round the whole of the borough. It was an eightnule round, and there was a boundary stone every 200 or 300 yards. At each stone the same ceremony was gone through.

The boys beat the stone vigorously with their wands, and the officers of the council affirmed that this stone was "claimed October 31, 1904," followed by three cheers and "God Save the King."

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LORD ROSEBERY ON NOVELS NEW AND OLD.

ORD ROSEBERY is not, as a rule, a conventional speaker. He is not the kind of man who says what he knows he will be expected to say rather than what he really thinks. But when he upbraided people yesterday for not reading Scott, and for admiring "authors of the name of Henty and the like," his words had rather a hollow sound. They did not ring quite true.

It is the usual thing to cry up Scott and cry down modern authors: "Nobody reads Scott nowadays," has been the literary bigwig's lament for many a year. But why don't they read Scott? Because, in truth, Scott was not good enough to last for ever. He was a great man "for an age," but not "for all time."

Writers who really "builded for eternity" are read to-day as much as ever. No one complains that Shakespeare is neglected, or Charles Lamb, or Jane Austen. The fact is, as soon as an author's books begin to lose their hold upon the reading public, the fault must be looked for, not in the public, but in the author.

"Ivanhoe," which Lord Rosebery recommends so highly, is a capital story. But there are plenty of other stories as good. And that is a long way the most readable of all Scott's works. Even Mr. Henty, about whom Lord Rosebery is so scornful, wrote tales of which Scott himself would have been the first to admit the merits.

This eternal praise of the old authors at the expense of the modern has a good deal of hypocrisy in it. We do not for a moment mean that Lord Rosebery was hypocritical. He, we are to suppose, still reads Scott con-stantly with undiminished pleasure. But we are afraid his remark will encourage others to be hypocrites, and to stand up saying what a great writer Scott was without ever having read a single one of his novels.

THE GODS' GIFT-BEARER.

Superior persons will be saying this morning that a great deal too much fuss is made over the death of a comic actor nowadays. Yet, if they cast their eyes back over the pages of history, they will find that the men who have made the world laugh have always been more regretted in their deaths than the longfaced folk who look upon merriment with suspicion and dislike.

They are not remembered so very long. Poor Dan Leno, who has made us hold our sides for many a year past, will soon pass into oblivion. Why grudge him his little hour of recollection? He was but a droll, a cracker of jokes, a fellow of quip and crank; yet all of us who have been amused by him feel a sense of

loss.

There are not so many people who are able to amuse us. A hearty laugh is a rare experience in theatre or music-hall. What a lot of anothing the some! How it ence in theatre or music-hail. What a lot of good it does one when it does come! How it expands the chest and clears the head and brings all sorts of muscles into play! Laughter, the ancients said, was the gift of the gods. What harm then in admitting

the gods. What harm then in admitting regret, and even sorrow, at the passing of one whom the gods made their gift-bearer? Dan Leno was one of the channels through which this boon of laughter came to us. If we are not grateful to him for his mirth, we show ingratitude also to those who chose him for their instrument.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

The more a man knows the more he acquires a conviction of the extent of that which he does not know.—Palmerston.



This is how a Russian paper caricatures our war correspondents in the Far Ea One is saying to the other, "Here is another invitation to dinner in Port Arth What do the Russians mean by spelling our engagements like this?"

SOME STORIES OF MR. DAN LENO:

THE story of poor Dan Leno's rise to fame of a friend who was ill. To quote his own telling is told on another page, but there are also of the story, "The accompaniment started, I cleared my throat, and plunged into my song.

was in the north of England that he first made his "

* * * * way to the front by his clog-dancing, and of the north-country halls—rough places they were then—he had many stories to tell.

At one of them the chairman-the chairman was At one of them the chairman—the chairman was still all-important in those days—announced that a lady singer would next appear. "Don't give us an more singin', let's have a foight for a change," sang out a voice from the hall. The chairman explained that there were not puglists handy. The audience were not to be baulked, they wanted a fight and they meant to have one, so in a moment the hall was like a Donnybrook Fair within four walls. Leno always admitted that he did not stop to see much of the fight, and never heard who won.

On another occasion Leno was in danger of per-On another occasion Leno was in danger of personal violence, so he always said. He was appointed judge of a clog-dancing competition, and as the hall was filled with miners, all set on their man winning, he judiciously favoured the local cardidate. Having awarded the prize he retired to his dressing-room, but what was his amazement to hear the clanking of iron-shod boots in the stone passage to his room. It was a deputation, and a large one, too. large one, too.

"Looke 'ere,' said the chairman of the crowd,
"thou's giv proize te wrong 'un!" Leno protested
that he had given the prize to the local man.
"Noa, thou didn't." Again Leno protested that
at any rate, he had meant to. "Then git back
on te stage and say so," said the chairman, voicing the general mind. And Leno had to go and
correct his mistake.

"The stage had a

His very first appearance on the stage had a His very first appearance on the stage had a touch of the rough-and-ready methods of the time. He was only three, and appeared as an infant contortionist. So small was he that no tights could be found for him, and he eventually appeared garbed in a pair of his mother's stockings, which had been. "adapted" to make him a full set of

"I kept my eyes glued on the music until the end of the first verse, when I ventured to glance over the edge of the song at the audience. There seemed something strange happening. Both men and women all had their lips compressed, and were shaking all over. I plunged into the song again, throwing great expression into it. When I looked up the audience had collapsed. They were rearing! They rolled about and screamed until they were hoarse.

Perhaps the proudest moment of his whole career was when he was called upon to perform before the King at Sandringham. Talking of the event afterwards he said: "On the Saturday as I was atterwards he said: "On the Saturday as I was sitting down with my wife the news came to me, 'It is the King's wish,' I was told. 'I can't,' I rephed, 'I'm performing at Brixton.' 'It's the King's command,' I was told again, and only then it broke upon me, and I said 'Oh!'

"At Sandringham I felt very proud. I had a free hand. I never had a better audience. The King rocked with laughter, and the Queen smiled, while some of the Princesses shricked. It was the greatest day of my life, and my happiness was complete when the King shook me by the hand and the Queen took my hand in hers.

It was not only in his public capacity as a jester that Leno was a wit. He carried his humour into every act of his private life, and his home was literally filled with the results of his odd ideas. One possession was a large tiger-skin rug. Leno always said that it was unique, for it had been bought outright at a shop. He himself, he adways said, was the only man he had ever heard of who owned a tiger-skin but had not shot the tiger.

Once he had made his name, also money, he

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP.

Lago ...

ORD STANLEY, the Postmaster-General who yesterday received a deputation on the vexed question of C.O.D., is generally spoken of as a bluff, frank, genial, young Briton. His reputation, however, rests principally on his personal appearance, the way he shouts in the House of Commons and the freedom with which he gives racing tips—which are quite above the

For some time Lord Stanley was chairman of the Kitchen Committee of the House of Commons, and his reforms with regard to the size and price of chops and steaks met with such approval that a brilliant career was predicted for him. When a Press Censor was wanted in South Africa his success marked him out as the right man. On his success marked him out as the right man. On his way out to the Cape he managed to increase his reputation as a good fe'llow by his skill in ship-board sports. He won the hatetimming contest in fine style, and was placed in the portmanteau race; but his greatest success was as a horse, winning easily with a none too light rider on his back.

Once at the Cape he was not so successful, and upset the war correspondents by several silly actions. One excited a lot of criticism at the time. A well-known war correspondent, who was lying seriously ill at Modder River, was devotedly nursed by a tender-hearted private. Probably, but for his care, the Pressman would not have pulled through. Some time after the two men met again in the street in Bloemfontein.

There was no return the correspondent could make. To have offered the man money would have been an insult, so he did the only thing he could, and asked him up to his room at the hotel and gave him a drink and a cigar as he would to any other friend. The Press Censor heard the full story of the case, but that made no difference. He tried to get the correspondent's licence taken away, since, as he ranked as an officer and a gentleman, he must not drink with a common private.

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Does the Tsar know the truth about the Baltic Fleet outrage? Probably he does not, if one may judge by an article by "An American Diplomatist" in the "Century Magazine." "After his accession to the throne," says the writer, "one of the best judges in Europe, who had every opportunity to observe him closely, said to me: "He knows nothing of his Empire or of his people; he never goes out of his house if he can help it"; and this explains in some degree the insa@icleary of tirs programme for the Peace Conference at The Hague, and for the Lanances way.

Nor does the writer consider him a humane ruler, even in his thoughts. Even when Russia was groaning under the second year of one of the most serious famines she has known the Tsar insisted that there was no suffering worth mentioning, and that he had already given up paying any attention to the subject: From his infancy his main characteristic, as described by those near him, was an assolute indifference to all persons and things about

The writer also disposes of the famous Nubian guard. These huge black fellows were reported to have been brought from Central Africa by special command. At great & semblages in the imperial palaces, just before the doors were flung open for the entrance of their Majesties and their cortège, two great black hands were always to be seen put through the doors, ready to open them in an instant—the hands of two of these negro giants.

One day the writer found himself in a crush at the foot of a staircase near one of these "Nubians." Suddenly the black giant bent down and whispered in the best accents of a coloured waiter from the States: "If you please, sah, wouldn't you like to git out of de crowd, sah, troo dis yere doah, sah?"

A MAN OF THE MOMENT.

Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge.

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NE has to have a firm belief in a man's capacity, and honesty, before one places a nation's repute in his hands; but that is what the Board of Trade has done to Sir Cyprian Bridge. In company with Mr. Butter Aspirall, K.C., he is to examine the facts of the Baltic Fleet outrage, and estimate the damage that is to be demanded of Russia.

Born in Newfoundland, sixty-five years ago, it is little wonder he entered the Navy. Since then, the fifty-one years of his naval career have been spent in showing that he has other accomplishments.

ments.

He has shown the Australian newspaper men
that he understood newspaper work. He has
studied the customs and laws of Polynesia and
written of them. He has earned a wide reputation
as an historian. He has written on the Navy and

as an historian. He has written on the Navy and on naval strategy. In fact, he is learned in so many things beside his profession that he is scarcely like a Navy man to talk to. He seems to lack the sailor's breeziness, though he looks his profession all over. Among other things in which he has had a hand is diplomacy, and he was successful in dealing with Russia in the Far East.

But the action by which he succeeded in earning the fullest public confidence was his advice to the Government to give up Wei-hai-wei.

After such good advice as that one is prepared to trust-his advice again.



A. DAYS . HAPPENINGS.





TO-DAY'S WEDDING.





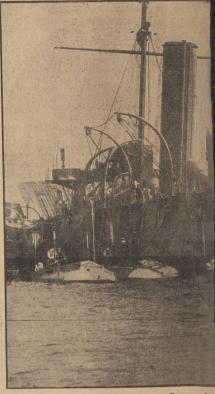
Miss Alice des Vœux, daughter of Sir William and Lady des Vœux, and Captain Sir Thomas A. Cunninghame, D.S.O., who are to be married at St. Peter's, Eaton-square, to-day.—(Langfier and Thomson.)

SIR WALTER PEACE.



He is retiring from the post of Agent-General for Natal, which he has held since 1893.—(Vandyk.)

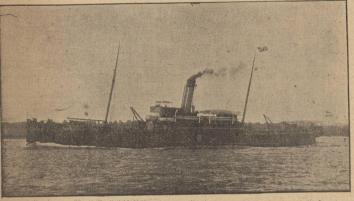
MOBILISING THE HOME FLEET:



Preparing the submarine boats for sea at Portsmouth.

utilised for coast defence

PAINTED BLACK FOR THE LAST JOURNEY.



The Batavia VI., which left Rotterdam last evening, conveying the remains of the late ex-President Kruger to S. Africa. The vessel was painted black for this voyage.

VETERAN HUNTSMAN DEAD.



Mr. "Jack" Carr, a veteran of the chase, whose death has just taken place at Ruswarp, near Whitby, at the age of ninety-four.

ACTIVITY AT THE DOCKYARDS-



Leaving the dockyard at Portsmouth during the dinne the preparedness of vessels for sea. Many of the docky scanning the newspapers for the la

RUSSIAN OUTRAGE INQUIRY.



Professor Martens, the great expert on international law, who will look after Russia's legal interests at the forthcoming international inquiry.

OPENING OF THE FOX-HUNTING SEASON.



Some of the huntsmen and hounds proceeding to the meet of the Hertfordshire Fox-hounds.—(Newman, Berkhamsted.)



NEWS TOLD IN VIEWS



JBMARINES TO GUARD THE COAST.



hese vessels have now arrived at Dover, where they are to be proses.—(Cribb, Southsea.)

REPARING THE VESSELS FOR SEA.



val. The men are all working overtime in order to accelerate ployees are seen on the left of the photograph purchasing and orts of the Baltic Fleet outrage.—(Cribb.)

DR. W. G. GRACE FOLLOWS THE BEAGLES.



The meet of the Worcester Park Beagles at Belmont, with the Master, Mr. J. Simpson, and Dr. W. G. Grace, the famous cricketer, on the left of the group.

CELLAR CRIME.



Helen Walden, the young Leytonstone housekeeper, to the murder of whom William Hoffman, her employer, has now confessed.

GREAT CONCENTRATION OF WARSHIPS AT PORTLAND.



The men of the torpedo and destroyer flotillas going on board their ships at Portsmouth Dockyard prior to starting for Portsland, where warships from all the home stations are now concentrated.—(Cribb.)

A CENTENARIAN INNKEEPER.



Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, landlady of the Bamber Castle Inn, York, who has just celebrated her hundredth birthday. She is the oldest holder of a public-house licence in England.

A MILLIONAIRE'S MANSION FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS.



The L.C.C. are now considering a proposal to use the late Colonel North's fine mansion at Avery Hill, seen in the above picture, as a training college for teachers. A quarter of a million sterling was spent on this house by the deceased millionaire.

IN NINE LANGUAGES.

Mr. Hall Caine's New Novel To Be Published in Ten Countries at Once.

No author has ever had the same international

compliment paid him as Mr. Hall Caine.
On Friday his new book, "The Prodigal Son," will be issued in ten countries and nine languages. Here are (by the courtesy of Mr. Heinemann, the English publisher) the first sentences of the book in all the nine :-

BRITAIN AND AMERICA. The Prodigal Son.

London: W. Heinemann. New York: D. Appleton and Co.

and Co.

Iceland had never looked more wonderful. The stem old Northland, which in the daylight bears always and everywhere on its sphin-silke face the multiating imprint of the burni-out fires of ten thousand ages, and would seem to be dead but for the murmurings of volcanié life in its sulphurous womb, lay in the autumn moonlight like a great creature asleep—calm, august, and blue as the night.

FRANCE. Le Fils Prodigue.

Paris : Hachette et Cie.

L'Islande n'avait jamais paru plus belle. La rude et vieille Ferre du Nord, qui, dans la lumière du jour, porte toujours et partout sur sa face impénérable l'empreine dévorante des feux qui la consument depuis dix mille années, si bien qu'elle semblerait morte sans les grondements de sa vie volcanique et les bouillonnements de ses entrailles d'oi jailli le souffre-l'antique Islande, sous la lune, automande, est parelle à une immense créature motornie-caline, auguste, et bleue comme la unit elle-motornie-caline, auguste, et bleue comme la unit elle-

GERMANY. Der Verlorene Sohn.

GERMANY. Der Verforene Sohn.

Leippig: H. A. Ludwig Degener.

Island hatte nie einen herrlicheren Anblick gewährt.
Das starre alte Nordland, das im Tageslicht retes und
überall die zerstörenden Spuren des ausgebrannten
Feuers Jahrtausender auf seinem sphinsgeleichen Antilien
Feuers Jahrtausender auf seinem sphinsgeleichen Antilien
fur der halten wede, lag im herbettlehen Mondlicht,
gleich einer mächtigen, schalenden Kreaturs-ruhig,
erhaben und bau wie die Nacht da.

Il Figliol Prodigo.

Milan : Fratelli Treves.

L'Islanda non ha mai avuto un aspetto così meraviglioso. L'austera terra nordica, che di giorno porta
sempre e dappertutto, sulla sua faccia di singe, l'impronte mutilata dei fuochi che qui arcero migliaia di
secoli 18, e che si direbetro spenti e non fasse pel
mormorio della vita vulcanica che si agita nelle suo
viscere, giace-pattipiaro della luna autunnale, come una
grande creatura delmente-calma, angusta e azzurra
come la notte.

SWEDEN. Den Forlorade Sonen.

Stockholm: P. A. Norstedt and Söner.

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Island hade aldrig tett sig aa underbart. Det dystra
gamla nordanlandet, hvars sfinzklika anlete i dug-lhuset
alltid och allestades har den vanstillande prägeln af
artusendens slocknade glöd och som skulle synas dödt,
om ej vulkinen mulirade i dess sköre, hvilade na höste om ej vulkinen mulirade i dess sköre, hvilade na höste skinkenet likt ett våsen förstinkt i zönm-lugni, majes-tatiskt blatt, som natten sjädt.

Блудный сынъ.

Исландія еще пикогда не казалась бол'є чудною. Нелицій еще пикотда не езалісь болю чудною, Сурола н старинная та чать свера, которна цема Всетда н вездь на свему сенинсконодобногь образь всетда н вездь на свему сенинсконодобногь образь отней десяти зысячь в'якт и кзальцел-бы мертвою, сецибы не оздавлася роноть выканичейской жизии Все ез збринстокъ икців, лежала на свята сесиней здуны, кака свящею заляное твореніе — спокойно, Величественно, и голубая какъ ночь.

DENMARK. Den Forlorne Son.

Copenhagen: Gyldendalske Boghandel.

De Verlooren Zoon. HOLLAND

Nooit had I jiand er meer betooverend uitgesein. Het ruwe, ande Noordiand, dat bij daglicht steels en overal op zijn sûnsachtig gelaat de afdrukken der verminking draagt van de uitgebrande vuren van tienduisend, geslachten, en dat geheel dood zou schijnen, zoo er zich geen roumeilingen lieten hooren van vulkanisch leven in zijn zwaveligen schoot, lag in den hertseitjiken manen zu de slapen en de skale de nacht.

FINLAND. Tublaaja Poika.

Borga: Werner Söderström.

Islanti näytti ihmeellisemmälik kuin konsanaan. Päivällä tuon vanhan, vakaan Pohjolan sinkkimäisissä kasvoissa näkyy ylt yleensä sammuneiden tulien vuosituhansia sitten uurtania arpia, ja silloin sitä luullis kuol-leeksi, jollei kuulisi tuliperistätä junya see manalaisissa uunmenissa. Nyt syysguutamossa see lepäsi kuin suuri rauhallinen eläin-juhlailisena yön sinettävässä hänyssää.

PUTTING THEM OFF THE SCENT.

Bride: George, dear, when we reach our destimation let us try to avoid giving the impression that we are newly married.

George: All right, Maud; you carry the port-manteau—"Plok-Me-Up."

Rocky Mountain Bear.

Sir Henry Seton-Karr is a sportsman who has shot and hunted pretty well everywhere. Sporting Holidays" (Arnold) are naturally full, erefore, of stories that will delight the hearts those who think that the best use to put animals

of those who think that the best use to put animals to is to kill them.

Once he very nearly got killed himself. He came across a "grizzly" bear unexpectedly. He fired and missed. Then the bear charged. Then Sir Henry fired again and hit, but nevertheless the bear came on still, after "turning a complete somersult and alighting on his feet again."

lete somersault and alighting on his feet again."

My rifle was now empty, and there was no time to reload. The next few seconds were a kind of nightmare. I turned and jumped at the saddle; my horse, seeing the bear close behind me, swerved and bolted. Grizzly, now only a few yards, away, was rising to strike with a gigantic clawy, sinewy paw, that could with a single blow break a buffalo's back or tear out all his ribs. With a cold thrill down my back, and a sensation at the pit of the stomach that reminded me of the fourth-form room at Harrow, I also swerved and bolted—up the hill—for all I was worth.

Then-well, then, a comrade of Sir Henry's shot the bear, and it was all over.

Is it unreasonable to feel some sympathy with the bear?



Mr. ARTHUR BOURCHIER in the new Garrick play.

"SPIDER FEVER."

No Need To Fear Spiders: They Are Not Poisonous.

Why do all women (and a good many men) feel an instinctive horror of spiders?

A foreign insect specialist who has been writing about these harmless, interesting little creatures attributes this repulsion to the belief which was held so long that their sting was poisonous.

It was about the middle of the seventeenth century that the tarantula spider fell quite suddenly into disrepute in Italy and Corsica on the ground that its sting caused a fever, one of the symptoms of which was convulsive dancing accompanied by wild laughter. It was cured by homeopathic methods. Two airs, the "Pastorale" and the "Tarantula," were played on the viojan and other instruments. These set the patien' dancing till he was exhausted, and after a sleep of twelve hours he woke cured.

A LESSON FOR LONDON.

Paris has solved a problem which still baffles London. In the French capital there has been opened a Rowton House for women and girls. It was built with funds provided by a legacy, and can let good-sized rooms at tenpence, a night. Smaller rooms cost sixpence. A bath can be had for a penny, a hot bath twopence, a good meal for fivepence. The home includes large sitting-rooms amply provided with books and pianos.

M.P.'s Grim Experience with a New Play of Modern Life at the Garrick Theatre.

"The walls of Jericho," which give the title to the play by Mr. Alfred Sutro, which Mr. Bourchier produced last night, are the walls that isolate the Smart Set—the epigrammatic, non-moral, Bridge-playing Smart Set of the novel and the society play-from the rest of humanity.

These walls are only to be levelled, it appears, by such a trumpet blast as proclaims itself the utterance of an honest and unsophisticated nature.

Mr. Alfred Sutro has, in a word, set himself to re-tell the familiar story of the essentially manly but unappreciated husband, the butterfly lover, and



istic attitude.

the wife who, though she comes perilously near to

the wife who, though she comes perilously near to the confines of disaster, yet has a heart that, at the right moment, is found to be in the right place. Jack Frobisher, who has made a fortune by sheep farming in Australia, is married to Lady Alethea, the daughter of the impecunious Marquis of Steventon. Jack and Lady Alethea do not pull well together in double harness. He is full of philanthropic schemes for the better housing of the East End poor. She is devoted to dress, gaieties, bridge-playing, and to a risky flirtation with a certain Harry Dallas.

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In her flirtation and her bridge, Lady Alethea is countenanced by the well-born and largely-stitled society about her. The chief aim of the men in this kind of society (according to Mr. Sutro) seems to be to borrow—or wim-large sums of money from parvenu millionaires; that of the women to entangle the same millionaires matrimonially, and then to amuse themselves after their own fashion.

A STRIKING SCENE.

The millionaire whom Mr. Suiro asks us to accept as a type is Hankey Bannister, an owner of gold-mines, who was with Frobisher's in Australia. There he was known as "Mad Jim," whilst Frobisher's nickname was "Fighting Jack." It is he who makes the attack upon the walls of Jericho by means of money, and also brings them down with

makes the attack upon the wails of Jectaco by means of money, and also brings them down with a run.

Gradually the situation between Jack Frobisher and his wife becomes more and more acute, and leads, incidentally, to a striking scene, in which Jack forces Dallas to open and read aloud a letter which he has written to Lady Alethea. The letter sufficiently indicates that any guilty intention had been only upon the side of the man.

Nevertheless, there are still scenes, in which it seems likely enough that Frobisher and his wife will part for ever. But their mutual love for their little boy, Archie, finally reunites them, and the play ends happily.

Neither the situations nor the characters are new, but the piece affords Mr. Arthur Bourchier the opportunity for a fine study of sterling manhood as Jack Frobisher, while, as Lady Alethea, Miss Violet Vanbrugh plays with her usual easy charm of manner and some subtlety. Mr. Sydney Valentine is forceful and sincere as Hankey Bannister. Miss Muriel Beaumont both looks and acts well.

We are glad to see a business-like spirit spring-ing up among our British working men. Awarded £000 for the loss of an arm, a man at Barnard Castle offered to let them have a leg, too, on the same terms.—"Vainit Fair."

CHASED BY A "GRIZZLY." AN IDYLL OF MAYFAIR. THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

NOT A GOOD PLAN.

Why does the War Office advocate discharged soldiers accepting situations at unsatisfactory wages?

wages?

Recruiting we all know to be at the very lowest ebb. Is it the way to induce young men to join the Army to offer them the prospect that when they return again to civil life they are to sell their labour cheaper than other men who have not served their country?

PLAYFAIR.

IS COURTESY DEAD?

"Beeston Humber's" experience of the rudeness of ptople who don't own motor-cars or cycles is only what the majority of users of these vehicles have to put up with.

A great deal has been said about furious driving and lack of consideration for the public, but walkers are quite as bad. Their habits of standing in the road until the very last possible moment, of hurling abusive words at quite peaceable drivers, are more likely to increase the number of "road-hogs" than to make motorists more considerate.

Richmond, Oct. 31.

A SURREY MOTORIST.

If courtesy is dead, it is women who have themselves to thank for it. They have deliberately invaded man's province, taken upon themselves many of his pleasures and privileges, yet they do not expect to be treated otherwise than with the utmost respect.

A thoroughly womanly woman, who does not all the province of th

and the document would be and it treated courteously. Where this is not the case it is because men have associated with women who did not insist on the treatment they ought to exact. High Barnet.

ARTHUR HERVEY.

CAN WE AFFORD TO WAIT?

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We all know that "an offence to one man is an offence to all men." This is an accepted axiom among civilised nations, and I can quite understand that the inexplicable—and, in a sane man, the unpardonable and criminal—action of Admiral Rojestvensky has stirred up to boiling point the blood of Englishmen.

But—and here is the gist of the whole question—England is undoubtedly the most civilised and the most powerful nation in the world; and, this being so, can we not afford to wait a reasonable time until our foolish, incompetent, and nervous Russian neighbours have had time to cool down to a sense of righteous recognition of their mad impetuosity, and make the necessary individual and national compensation and reparation?

Let us trust to the wonderful fact and good sense of our beloved King.

GUSTAVE, COMTE DE HAMEL DE MANIN.

The Lodge, Sussex Villas, Kensington.

HOUSEWORK FOR PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Does it ever occur to the young women of the present day how beneficial housework is? Cleaning a room thoroughly develops every muscle. Sweeping the celling, rubbing the walls with a duster in each hand, cleaning the mirrors and pictures, and, if necessary, sweeping the carpet with plenty of well-washed tea-leaves, are exercises invaluable. CONSTANCE CROWFIELD.

"A NOXIOUS HABIT."

To A. J. L. Evans (who wants to know a remedy-for inhaling tobacco-smoke): Same old remedy-leave it off.

A. E. WILTON. Bolingbroke-grove, Wandsworth Common, S.W.

Your reader who wishes to give up the habit of inhaling tobacco-smoke would do well to try ship's plug.

ONE WHO HAS TRIED IT.

"HYPOCRITICAL JOURNALISM."

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I see the "Morning Leader" and the "Star" (which is the same thing) are now attacking other papers for saying there was a time-limit attached to the British demands upon Russia.

The hypocrisy of this may be judged from the fact that on Friday morning I read in the "Leader" this statement: "The time allowed for the reply to the British Note expires at noon to-day."

No LOVER OF PRO-BOERS.

"THE WORLD AND HIS WIFE.

Ourselves just a year old, we offer a hearty welcome to that new monthly publication, "The World and His Wife." It is called a magazine, but it is unlike any magazine we have ever seen before.

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It is not bulky—always a disadvantage—it is beautifully printed, well illustrated, and crammed with interesting matter.

Very opportune, considering the month, is the article about the new Lady Mayoress (Mrs. Pound), who takes up her new duties on the 9th of this month. This article tells in an interesting way the stry of this lady's life during her year of office.

"The Life Story of a Pheasant" is just the right length, and delightfully told. Miss Annesley Kenealy in her article, "The Man Who Cannot Afford to Marry," touches upon a subject of nevertailing interest. Keble Howard begins a simple story, called "The Smith of Surbino."

Now that people are so much interested in cottages and cottage gardens, the paper on how to arrange them will be read with much interest. Other articles on shooting, motoring, stamp collecting, etc., etc., as well as four pages for the children, leave no section of society uncatered for

Our New Serial.

You Can Begin this Story To-day.

THE JUDGE'S SECRE

By Andrew Loring, "Mr. Smith of England."

YESTERDAY'S OPENING CHAPTERS.

A dinner-party at Lady Gascoyne's. She is bril-liant, young, and attractive. By her side sits Dick Deverill. Gertrude Gascoyne, her sister-in-law, is jealous; she suspects her of alienating Deverill's

At the other end of the table is Sir Alanson Gas-coyne, Judge of the High Court, much his wife's senior. His friend, a Mr. Tourtilotte, just back

senior. His friend, a Mr. Fourthlotte, just back from an exploring expedition, complianents him on his look of youth, but the Judge's face at times bears the impress of trouble.

Hugh Mordaunt, the playmate of Gertrude Gascoyne's youth and still her lover, is sent out on an errand by the Judge because he seems in an errand by the Judge because he seems in

coyne's youth and still her lover, is sent out on an errand by the Judge because he seems intoxicated.

Mr. Tourtillotte on his trayels has found a new and magnificent orchid. He names it after the Lady Gascoyne, crowning her Queen of the Orchids. "If only you had crowned me, Dick's it would be perfect," she says to Deverill.

Dinner over, she goes out to the theatre with Deverill. An hour later Hugh Mordaunt rusless in. The theatre Lady Gascoyne said she was going to is on fire. In a frenzy the Judge flies out into the night.

Hugh and Gertrude are left alone, and after two hours of misery they are annoyed to see Lady Gascoyne one in. She is not aware of the girl, and evidently has not been to the theatre at all. Her husband returns in a frenzy of horror at the sights he has witnessed, and hysterically clasps to his heart his beloved wife, whom he never expected to see again. She, quite unaware of the reason for this emotion, nevertheless understands that something has happened as an outcome of her deceit.

As she held her husband in her arms she darted an appealing look over his shoulder at his sisterin-law Gertrude. Her great eyes shot a passionate supplication for the slightest clue. There was the mute appeal of a desperate woman who realised that there was something she ought to be told—something which had happened between her going out and coming home, some vital crisis, some danger to herself.

**** CHAPTER III. Beginning the Tangle. \$

"Thank Heaven," mumured the Judge, still clasping her close. "Oh, the sights I have seem-horrible. A hell, a blazing hell—and I thought you were in it?"

"A fire," cried Lady Gascoyne, promptly recovering from her faint. "Oh, Lanse, I am os sorry. I did not know. There was a mistake about the seats. We went—" again she looked appealingly over his shoulder, but Gertrude has disappeared. Lady Gascoyne was nearer to losing her headthan she had ever been before. She had given her self absolutely away to Gertrude. Her sister-in-law had left her full of suspicion, understanding clearly that she had intended to pretend ett she had seen "La Veine," that she had intended to pretend ett she had seen "La Veine," that she had intended to sanche had been? What explanation could she give-afterwards to Gertrude; what could she say now to her husband, who sat there worn out, after his hour of heart-breaking anxiety.

Vainly she tried to think. She could invent no plausible tale. Her brain refused to answer; it was in a whirl.

She stood silent, trembling, watching her husband, with a vague wonder as to when he would herein to question her.

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She stood silent, trembling, watching her husband, with a vague wonder as to when he would begin to question her.

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she must postpone that. She must not be to begin her story until she knew what it be.

She overwhelmed him with loving attentions; she exaggerated her concern; she protested in eager nurmurs her profound regrets.

"Where were you, darling?" he asked.

"Come, dear," she said quickly, "to my room." She put her arm round him, but he tried to smile as he drew away and said faintly:

"It's all right, Rose. I am feeling ever so much better." overwhelmed him with loving attentions:

"What you must have been through. I am so horribly aslamed. Oh, if I had only known."

She whispered this as she led him through the

hall. "How could you know?" he answered. "It is enough that you are safe—by a miracle. How did it happen?" "You shall rest in my own chair," she said softly, as she opened her door. She wheeled round the chair, flung a cushion in it, and he sank back with a smile on his face.

She stepped into the adjoining bedroom, and saw the door into the hall just closing. She tip-toed across the reem, and arrested the attention of her maid.

her maid.
"Marie," she said, in a low voice, "do not let
Miss Gascoyne go. Say that I shall come to her
in a few minutes."

in a few minutes."

Her ladyship caught up a bottle of eau-de-Cologne from among the exquisite trifles scattered about her dressing-table, and hastened back to her husband. The lines of anxiety disappeared by the triple of the ten minutes late—our appointment was

beneath her dainty ministrations. Her touch re-vivified him.
"How did you escape? Tell me," he said. "I

"How did you escaper Left me," he said. "I m so anxious to know."

She put a finger on his lips and smilingly comanded him to keep silence. Then she busied
terself in brushing his clothes against his active
protest. She retied his tie, and smoothed out

his rumpled coat-collar.

"There," she said at last, as she pressed him back to his seat, and stood over him, pushing back his hair with her firm, white hand, "now—you are

He nodded and smiled his thanks: then looked

He nodded and smiled his thanks; then looked the inevitable question for the sixth or eight time. "Oh, Lanse," she cried, "your watch—see." His fob pocket had been slit across as though with a sharp knife. "What do I care for that?" he cried as he clasped both her hands, and pressed her into his lan.

lap.
"I am so sorry," she murmured, "the watch and the fob are both gone."
Oh, what could she say to him. She must have some explanation ready. She could not postpone

much longer.
"You did not give them to me," was his answer,
[do not mind."

"I do not mind,"
"How you must love me," she whispered, in a choking voice, "to have broken down like this. It brings me closer to you, Lanse darling, "I shall never forget this night, oh, never."
"Nor I—nor I. What providence saved you?"
"Yes—of course—oh, I was so fortunate; but how did you know? Who told you about the theatre?"

theatre?"

"Hughie Mordaunt—about ten o'clock, I should think. Of course, I hurried away. Heavens! I shall never forget it—that moment when I stepped out into the street, and saw the red glare above the house tent.

out into the street, and saw the red glare above the housetops, 1—"
He could not go on. Terrible pictures came back to him; pictures which had rushed to his brain as he hastened along; pictures of his wife amid that seething hell of flame. He shuddered, and clasped her close.

"I cannot talk about it," he said, in a broken voice. "I saw something of it. They let me come near when I told them who I was. There are others, Rossmond, who sought as I did for loved ones. They, less fortunete, will find—"
"Hush," she said, in a low voice; and, indeed, the horror of it overwhelmed her. It was she now who seemed about to break down. She was appalled at the thought of having to build up a great lie about this terrible tragedy. She buired her head in her husband's shoulder and sobbed aloud. The positions were reversed. It was he who comforted and caressed her now.
"No wonder you are broken, poor little girl," the

No wonder you are broken, poor little girl," the band whispered, and he did what he could to nusband winspered, and he did what he could to comfort her, little guessing that all the time she was eagerly seeking an idea—an idea that should save her. She knew well, despite an agitation not feigned, that her story once launched, must float; that it must be perfect in probability and correct in details.

in details.

She understood her husband's natural habit, the result of legal training. She often laughingly protested against being put, as she phrased it, in the witness-kox. Like thousands of otherwise very good and innocent women, Lady Gascoyne was often vague and indefinite about her facts—was by temperament and habit supremely indifferent to truth in trifles. The carcless way in which she often embroidered a story, or unintentionally gave a wrong impression as to what had happened, had sometimes annoyed her truthful and accurate husband. Without being in the least a pedant, Sir Alanson Gascoyne was scrupplously exact about

sometimes annoyed her truthful and accurate husband. Without being in the least a pedant, Sir
Alanson Gascoyne was scrupulously exact about
great and little things.

To-night she had something vital to conceal. The
tragedy to her was that that night was for ever
marked by so sinister an omen as this terrible fire.
She could not shrug her shoulders and laughingly
remind her husband that he was not in court now,
and that she would not be cross-questioned. He
would naturally wish to know every detail of the
marvellous way in which she had escaped, and
every item must bear investigation.
Where should she say she had been—not at
another theatre—she could not invent details of
any performance on the spur of the moment. She
had rehearsed for two days what was to happen at
"La Veine," She had read the play, line by
line, and had arranged in her mind precisely
where she should sit and whom she should see.
And all this had resulted only in her placing herself absolutely in her sister-in-law's hands. She
was violently angry with Gertrude, for having, as
she thought, "led her on."

At last!

As she lay there in her husband's arms are

At last!
As she lay there in her husband's arms, ap-barently almost in a state of collapse, the idea came to her. The hospitable doors of the musichall are always open to the Londoner whose even-ing engagement elsewhere has fallen through, and the programme is so varied that one may be for-given for not knowing anything about the per-

for nine. Mrs. La Grange was sitting in the foyer positively furning—some mistake about the tickets, athe said. She got them at a library. Duplicate numbers had been issued—or something like that, I can't tell you quite what it was—somebody else was, in our seats."

was in our seals."
"How strange, how providential!" said the Judge, in a broken voice. "I have never known it to happen before. What library:
"I don't know—I never asked."
"The theatre people offered other seats?"
"They hadn't them—oh, they were much annoved—"

"How fortunate—how providential!" he said, gravely—"and the Derwents?"
"They had written to Mrs. La Grange crying

"They had written to Mrs. La Grange crying off."

"Ah—then your party was——?"

"Three—Mrs. La Grange, Mr. Deverill——"

"Mr. Deverill?" he repeated, struck by his wife's use of the formal words, just as Hugh Mordaunt had been surprised when Gertrude had spoken in the same way.

"Yes—Dick." she answered, slowly, "I don't think I—I—shall call him that any more after to night—after——"

"After what, Rose?"

"After our escape, Lanse."
She shivered, and he drew her to him.

"It brings me closer to you," she whispered. He kissed her.

"And then," he said, "you left the dheatre?"

"Yes. Mrs. La Grange had arranged that her motor should wait for her at eleven in Suffolkstreet. She's very clever about that, you know. She slips down side streets, so her chauffeur doesn't have to wait hours in ranks for her. There we were with two hours on our hands, and nothing to do."

"Why not have come back here?"

"Why and accore?" She hesifitted as she re-

do."
"Why not have come back here?"
"Why not come?" She hesifated as she repeated the words—"we didn't think of it. Oh,
yes, I'll own up, Lanse. I thought of dear old
Mr. Tourtilotte."

Mr. Tourtilotte."

"And what if you did?"

"Mns. La Grange."

"You have friends whom I like better—I have often admitted that. But what of her?"

She swopt her fingers caresingly over his face, "She is very sweet," she answered slowly, "and her little parlour tricks are so engaring. I—I should feel safer if the orchid christening was over, and the name publicly amounced."

"And this," said her husband, " is the friendship of remember."

of women."

"Only caution, dearest. Old gentlemen from the Amazon are very susceptible—you know that. He might have another orchid, I want no rival god-

mothers."
The Judge did not like his wife in that vein. turned the subject by again asking where they

"I must own up," was the answer, given with an appealing smile and a droop of the eye-lids.
"Mrs. La Grange was simply crazy to see the new

"And where was he?"
"At the Palace."
"Oh, a music-hall—in that elaborate dress?"
She nodded.

She nodded.

"I could hardly avoid it, Lanse. She insisted on it. Mr. Deverill went ahead and got a box, so we slipped in quite quietly. Nobody saw us, I am sure. You are not angry?"

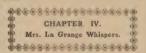
"Angry, my dear?" repeated the Judge, "tonight. All I think of is to be thankful, all I care for is that you went somewhere—where, what does that matter to me?"

"Ah, but you are a tiny bit grieved, I can tell that. I know it was wrong, Lanse. You've told me that you'd rather I didn't. I could hardly get out of it. I was coming home to confess. I felt sure that you would understand."

"Don't talk about it, Rose. Thank Heaven, you went."

went."

"I feel so guilty. Never again, Alanson. I do want to please you in every way I can. Sometimes I fear I have neglected you just a tiny little bit. I'll try and be a better wife to you after this,



Sir Alanson Gascopne was happy. His wife was closer to him that she had been for months. His profound love for her, rooted in the very depths of his nature, bloomed into a new demonstrativeness. Her little waywardnesses, her love for frivolity, her neglect of his wishes in trifles, all were forgotten under the influence of this terrible hour, at the end of which she had been restored to him as by a miracle.

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This reticent man, from nature and habit, had hitherto kept some guard over the deepest corners of his heart. To-night the barriers were over-borne. She was thrilled, frightened; and she showed her feelings without attempt at restraint. He felt he had never realised before how adorable she was. Her agitation was reasonable, her repeated expressions of self-condemnation only natural. She had unwittingly caused him the two most anguished hours of his life. He told her at length that he was glad he had suffered. It had brought them so close together.

"Don't leave me alone so much, Lanse," she cried suddenly, as she flung her arms round his neck and buried her face in his shoulder; "come out with me oftener. Why shut yourself up night after night?"

He was delighted to hear the appeal, though it

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INGREDIENTS:—One large dried haddock, three raw eggs, three ounces of butter, two tablespoonsful of cream, seasoning, frying fat.

ful of cream, seasoning, frying fat.

Scrape the raw flesh of the fish from the skin and bones—about eight ounces of it is required.

Pound and sieve it. Warm the butter gently, add it to the fish, also the cream and eggs after beating them. Season the mixture somewhat highly. Grease some small, rather simllow moulds and fill them with the mixture. Stand the moulds in a baking-tin containing a little water, lay a greased paper over the top, put the tin in a moderate oven, and cook till firm, probably about ten minutes. Then turn out the contents of the small moulds

Rub in the butter lightly and add the sugar. Beat the eggs, mix them with the milk, and add and mix them quickly into the flour. Knead slightly; divide the mixture into even pieces, and shape them into flat rounds. Beat up an extra egg with a little water, and brush the scones over with it. Let them stand for five minutes, and brush them over once more. Bake them in a very sharp oven for about twelve minutes.

MEDALLIONS OF CHICKEN.

(A good entrée.)

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Make the green butter first by working into four ounces of fresh butter the hard-boiled yolk of one

of these. Warm the sauce and melt in it the gelatine, and add the cream. Season it well. Cont the tops of the medallions twice with the sauce, letting the first coating set before pouring over the next. Decorate prettily with shapes of truffle; pour over melted aspic jelly to glaze and set the décorations. Dip the tomatoes into boiling water for a minute and skin them, then cut them into slices a quarter of an inch thick. Put a medallion on each slice of tomato. These should be a little larger than the former. Pipe the green butter round the edges tastefully. Mix the salad with the mayonnaise sauce, and form it into a layer in an entrée dish. Arrange the medallions on the bed of salad, and serve as cold as possible.

PALESTINE SOUP.

INGREDIENTS: - Two pounds of Jerusalem artichokes, two ounces of butter or good dripping, a small onion, one stick of celery, one pint of white stock, or half milk and half water, salt and white pepper, half a pint of cream or milk.

Wash the artichokes carefully, and if necessary scrub them. Then peel and trim them nicely, and as you finish each one drop it at once into a



In sunny weather it is easy to dry a child's hair by pulling it through the open crown of an old hat.

Plait the little one's hair when she goes to bed.

egg, one teaspoonful each of blanched and chopped egg, one teaspoonful each of blanched and chopped parsley and spinach, and a dust of cayenne. Rub it through a hair sieve, and if the colour is not deep enough add a drop or two of green vegetable colouring. Put it in a cool place. Cut the chicken into slices about one-eighth-of an inch thick, then into rounds about the size of the top of a clarefulass. Cut the tongue to match, only a little thinner. After cutting as many as you require put the rest of the chicken and tongue into a mortar with the foic gras and pound well. Season nicely, and rub through a sieve. Put a round of tongue on one of chicken. Divide the pounded mixture and smooth it evenly in a rounded-form over the top of each

basin of milk and water. This prevents them getting discoloured. Next melt the butter in a pan, peel and slice the onion and celery, add these to the butter and also the artichokes. Cook these carefully for six to eight minutes, taking care the vegetables do not brown. Now add the stock, and let all boil till the vegetables are tender, then rub them through a wire sieve. Pour the "purfe" into a clean, bright pan, add the cream (or milk), and make it thoroughly biot. Season it nicely with saft and pepper, pour into a hot tureen, and serve.

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THE JUDGE'S SECRET. (Continued from page 11.)

Pass the flour, bicarbonate of soda, cream of fartar, and salt two or three times through a sieve.

on to a clean cloth to cool a little. Beat another ogg, and, after dipping the shapes in flour, brush them over with it. Fry in deep fat till a tempting brown, then lift them out, drain on paper, and serve on a hot dish with or wethout fried parsiey.

DUNDEE SCONES. (For Afternoon Tea.)

Ingredients:—One pound of Vienna flour, half an ounce of cream of tartar, quarter of an ounce of bicarbonate of soda, four ounces of butter, four ounces of castor sugar, two eggs, quarter of a teaspoonful of sait, half a pint of milk.

almost a demand to choose between her and

was aimost a demand to choose occurred.

"The days are not long enough—the nights are too short," he cried; "I have kept back some decisions quite unreasonably. Parties to certain actions have a right to complain that I am dilatory. But I will make time somehow. You, too, have a claim, dear."

"I have felt so lonely sometimes," she murging the source of the source

"I have feft so lonely sometimes," she murmured.

"It makes me happy to think that you care so
much. I have been just a little bit troubled about
you, Rosamond, lately, you know."

"Troubled about me?" she said sitting upright,
and looking at him.

"Yes," he said, "I admit it. We'll start afresh,
Gaerest, from to-night, and we'll start it with perfect confidence on both sides. I have a little confession to make. I have had a feeling, an intuition, I suppose a woman might call it—but judges
are not supposed to have such things."

"About what?"

"Now, don't be startled, and don't think this is

"About what?"
"Now, don't be startled, and don't think this is any censure of you. It is a confession about my-aelf, that's all. — I've feared sometimes that the years between us were too many, that my legal training had made me, perhaps, a little—well, sometimes I've wondered if I've not been quite interest-

ing to you, or _____ " she said. "As for the

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years, they don't count. Nobody believes that there is much difference between us, you always look so young. I never think of them. But what were you going to say?"

"I shan't say it," he said, smiling, "I've forgotten it."

She pleaded for what she called his full confession, and at last he yielded.

"I've looked at Dick sometimes," he said, "and wished aimost that I were as young as he."

"But why—why at him?" she asked in a choking voice.

ing voice.

"Because," he answered gravely, "it has some-times seemed—but, pshaw! this is——"

She closed his lips with a kiss, as her head nestled close to his she whispered her disarming explana-

close to his she winspered ner maarming expana-tion.

"I am so grieved. I looked on him as your aide-de-camp. I did not dream—oh, he shall not take me about any more."

"Forget what I have said," cried the generous and high-minded husband. "You are young, your spirits are high, you are fond of galety. Enjoy life while you may."

"Not," she whispered, "if it brings a pang to

"It cannot now," was his answer, "sure as I am

"It cannot now," was his answer, "sure as I am of your love."

"Ah, you should never have doubted. Promise me you never will again."

"Indeed.—I never will," and he clasped her to his heart, and believed himself the happiest and most fortunate man in all London.

There came a knock at the door.

Mr. Tourliotte and Sir Warren Corry, it appeared, had returned in search of news of Lady Geographe.

peared, had returned in search of news or Lady Gascoyne.

"I will go down," cried the judge. "Of course they were anxious."

"I am tired out," said Rosamond, "I am going to bed. You won't be long, Lanse?"

"Not five minutes—only to thank them."
Left alone, Lady Gascoyne dropped into a chair and buried her face in her hands. Every nerve in her body quivered, and her heart was beating wildly.

"Oh, that I had never gone," she mouned,

It was the futile cry of remorse, which prayed to recall an irrevocable hour.

"I must see him," she cried as she grasped a pen, "to-morrow morning, early. Alanson might meet him, somehow, somewhere. He would not know what to say. And Mis. La Grange. Oh, what can I tell her? Will she stand by me? This awful fire—it marks everything, it dates everything.

awtu irre—it marks everytining, it dates everything. She must—"Stee dashed off a line to the latter, saying that she should come to her at Richmond at twelve o'clock the next morning. Then she wrote a line to Richard Deverill. It had neither heading nor signature. "I shall be riding in the Park at ten," she wrote. "The fire has burned everything to ashes, and they are scattered to the winds," She addressed and stamped the notes, then touched the bell.

"Marie," she said, when her maid appeared, "Marie," she said, when her maid appeared, "Miss Gascoyne" answered the maid, "is in the drawing-room with Mrs. La Grange and Mr. Deverill."

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Lady Gascoyne turned white. She stretched out a hand and supported herself against a chair.

"They came a minute ago. I think, my lady, they met at the door. They came to inquire about your ladyship. Miss Gascoyne was going awy. She saked them to come in."

"Quick, Marie, my powder pulf—yes, the brush—am I all right now?"

Without waiting a reply her ladyship marched down to the drawing-room. Her husband, Sir Warren Corry, and asr. Tourtilotte formed a half-circle round Dick Deverill and Mrs. La Grange, who stood there in an attitude of constraint, while Gertrude confronted them with suspicion and doubt pictured on her frank young face.

"I heard you were here," said Lady Gascoyne without an instant's hesitation, and she ran forward and threw her arms round Mrs. La Grange's neck.

"We have had such an escape, you and I," she cried.

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"Have we-what from?" whispered Mrs. La Grange.

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Bonny Rosila's Win.

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W. K. Elsey's stable sent out several candidates during the afternoon, and in winning the Hindilp Plate with Bonny Roslia he scored rather a lucky win. St. Enogatizations at the barrier, did not reliable the struggle, and severing bad. Fair Penlient gelding occupying scond place. Belle Savile ran very moderately.

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SPORTING NEWS ITEMS.

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Mr. Willie Ford officiated as judge at Birmingham yesterday, in place of his father, who was suffering from slight indisposition.

The Wimbledon Park Ladies' Golf Club was defeated by the Mid-Surrey Ladies' at Wimbledon Park yesterday for matched the place of the place

Dawson, 947.

W. J. Pett, Southern C.C., the 50 miles amateur exchangion, and A. W. Hunt, Balham C.C., accomplished a splendid performance yesteday, beating the southern roads unpaced tandem record by Janin, rsec. Pett. and Hunt, who were followed and checked in the usual way, covered the S.R.R.A. official course, from Purley to Horsham and back; in Shr. Ismin, as against the previous best of 2th. 10min, rsec., made, four years ago, by W. Targeit and A. Hogan, Southern C.C.

FOOTBALL TOPICS.

Professional Players and the F.A. -Plymouth's Fine Forwards.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Further scandals will be heard of in the near future I am informed. The F.A., not content with punishing the club who have infringed their rules, are now on the war-path against the players. Past and present professionals of the Sunderland club have been written to, and have been called upon to furnish particulars of the moneys paid to them as bonness for winning matches.

Truly the player is in a hard case. He is the slave of the big Leepus clubs. He is not allowed to leave them at the close of a sesson when this contract expires, no matter how distasteful his situation may be. If he cannot join another team. Some clubs, both in the north and it is these teaties that the F.A. will have to probe. Should they so into the natter, we may soon see the wage limit swept away at once. What would happen if a actor or must-hall singer was to be permitted to earn more than, say, £10 a week?

The Plymouth Argyle eleven played a capital game at Fark Royal yesterday. The backs were study long kickers, the halves quick and elever; but it was the forwards that caught the eye. Each unit of the quintette was speedy, tricky, and unstellish, and possessed a fine conception of the common but much neglected football artheaut of shooting. Unstellishess—one of the most important factors in combination—they exhibited in a marked degree, and the result was—goals.

The Rangers seemed bothered by the wet turf and greasy ball slightly more than their opponents, though, the strength of the st

The Cambridge side, without G. L. Mellin in the centic, gave a poor show against the Arsenal at Plumstead, and the three goals to none beating, which they received, in no degree represented the nature of the gaine. Woolvich Arsenal were "all over" them. R. F. Keigwin kept goal well for Cameric for Mellin, was slow. W. R. Lucas, Mugdalene, played at half-back in place of P. R. May. The Arsenal were resting several of their heroes of Saturday, but Crowe was in the team and got a goal. Satterthwaite and Bellamy were the other scores.

London Association had only a poor side at Tottenham yesterday, and were hopelessly heaten by 4 goals to 1. The "Spurs had practically their reserves playing, and even under these conditions their football was good and keen. Before half-time there were three goals for Tottenham, by O'Hagaf, Bull, and Swan. In the second half the Spurs took things leaurely, and with each side scoring once they won by 4 to 1. It was a poor show for London.

West Ham, who were not at full strength, showed disappointing form at Upton Park against Brentford, who put another good performance to their credit by defeating the "Hammers" in the Western League, and Fulham were utterly routed by Bristol Rovers.

we captain, H. Mainptice, displayed good form.

My very old friend, "Looker-On," in the "Sheffield Daily Telegraph" pays a generous tribute to Woolwich Arsenal for their fine play against Sheffield Wedeseday, and forward, at half-back, particularly at back, and again in goal, the team showed ability of a high order, and made one wonder more than ever at the big victory from Nottingham. By contrast, Wednesday, heroes of so many brilliant performances, were decidedly disappointing, and weakness in the usually powerful middle line best judges of Association football in the land is high praise indeed.

The summer game was brought before us yesterday, when the St. Bride's Baths were opened as a cricket practice areas for enthusiasts. Tarrant and the genial Albert Trott are in charge of the concern. It was pleasant indeed to meet so many of the professors of the summer game at the opening function vesterday. Hayes, Hayward, J. T. Hearne, Huish, and Mignon were among the county cricketers to attend to wish the enterprise the success it deserves.

ASSOCIATION.

F.A. CUP REPLAYED TIE.

WELLINGBOROUGH, 1; KETTERING, 2.

After Saturday's tie of one goal each, these clubs, met at Wellingborough yesterday in dreary weather before \$2,000 spectators. Play ruled even for a time, both goalkeepers being busy. The interval arrived with Ten minutes after the restart Blissett scored for Kettering. Wellingborough drew level through Draper. Extra time was played. Praft scored for Kettering, but the game had to be abundoned owing to Lattness coming on the case of the score of the third match.

. WESTERN LEAGUE.

BRENTFORD, 2; WEST HAM UNITED, 1 RRENTFORD, 2: WEST HAM UNITED, I. After a hard game Brentford defeated West Ham United at Upton Park yesterday by 2 goals to 1. The best football was shown during the second half, when all the goals were scored, both sides accomplishing at times a lot of excellent work. As the game went west times a lot of excellent work. As the game went were wards sent in a number of fine shots. Whittaker, however, was in great form, and saved all but one in masterly style, his play during the opening half being spleading the state of the state of

the United. There was not much to choose between the teams in the fars half, but, thanks mainly to Whittaker, Beentford got though it without having anything scored against them.

About five minutes after change of ends Shanks scored a goal for Brentford with a nice, low, oblique shot, would be shown to b

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS, 2; PLYMOUTH
ARGYLE, 4.
At Park Royal, in wretched weather. Plymouth were
in excellent form, and led at the interval by three goals,
kicked by Picken, McLuckie, and Leech, to one goal, by
Blackwood.
Blackwood, which was been some for the men, played
tremendously well. Bevan scored once more for them.
Buck kicked another goal for the Argyle just on time,
and Plymouth won by 4 goals to 2.

and Piyanoulu won by a goals to 2.

BRISTOL ROVERS, 5: FULHAM, 0.
At Bristol, in dull weather, before a moderate sitendance. The Rovers were short of Cartidge, Futhan were without Soar and Sharp. The Rovers had the best of the first half, and Clark and Lewis scored for them.
Bristol did even better in the second half, and Lewis, Beats, and W. Griffidhs scoring for them, they won easily and decidedly by 5 to 0. The Futham forwards were very disappointing.

OTHER MATCHES.

WOOLWICH ARSENAL, 3; CAMBRIDGE UNI-VERSITY, 0.

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The Cambridge University eleven were not seen to any advantage at Plumstead yesterday, and in the end they suffered defeat by 3 goals to ml.—a result which were the control of the co

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR, 4; LONDON F.A., L. Played at Tottenham in dull weather, before a small crowd. After the drizzling rain the turf was wet, handicapping the anaeturs, who were outclassed by practically the Hotspur's reserve team. O'Hagan, Bull, and Swan second for the Spurs in the fart half, 1990, 1991, 1

RUGBY.

CAMERIDGE, 3 pts.; LONDON HOSPITAL, 6 pts. At Cambridge. The wet turf handicapped passing movement. Taken all round, London probed more than equal to the Cantabs. They scored by Vernon just after starting, and nothing more was done up to the interval.

Alterwards Grose scored for Cambridge and C. T. Scott for London, neither try being converted, although Hearson's effort for Cambridge was very close.

SUNDERLAND'S NEW DIRECTORS.

An extraordinary meeting of shareholders of the Sunderland Association Football Club was held last night to consider the recent decision of the FA. Mr. F. W. Taylor, the only old director not suspended, presided. With practically no discussion, the meeting elected the following new directors:—Meers. Samuel Scorey, Frederick Foster uncertainty of the Computer of th

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

NORTHERN UNION, Batley: Yorkshire v. Cumberland. RUGBY. Cambridge: Racing Club de France v. Trinity College.

CANTABS' CRICKET CAPTAIN.

The Provost of King's College, Cambridge, presided over the annual meeting of Cambridge University Cricket Club last night, when Mr. E. W. Mann was considered and this year. He is an old Harrovian, and belongs to Trinity College. Mr. C. H. Eyre (Harrow and Krinity) was elected honorary secretary, and Mr. M. W. Payae (Wellington and Trinity) was chosen assistant treasurer. The president is the Rev. A. Austen Leigh, M.A. Provos of King A. Trinity treasurer the Rev. A. H. E. Doughty, M.A., Trinity.

COUNTY CRICKET PROGRAMMES.

The Worcestershire programme for next season will, as regards county matches, be the same as it was this year. It is hoped also to play out and home matches with Oxford University and single matches with the Australians and be fear, that it will not be possible to arrange factures with Northamptonshire.

The Susser programme next season will be the same as before, with the addition of factures with Warwickshire and one with the Australians.

THE CITY.

Prices Drooping All Round-Brighton "A's" Drop a Point-Russians

Rise on Peace News-Kaffirs a Steady Market.

CAPEL COURT, Monday Evening—Saturday's rebound was so sharp that, in any event, some little reaction might have been looked for on the Stock Exchange to-day. But there were other influences at work. The Paris Settlement commenced, and this tended slightly against the Kaffir and International sections. The bead weather conditions made people more pessimistic about Home conditions made people more pessimistic about Home conditions made people more pessimistic about Home ber holiday on the Stock Exchange—a terific sky war with the state of the stat to come some day, of course Rails show decines of \$2\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to

in any too satisfactory a mood, and the was flat, except for Atchious and Baltiuils were rather off colour, notably Grand adian Pacifics were affected by the less velopments in the American market, and, recent Grand Trunk monthly statement from the property of the less of the property of the new crop advices being so good, e., we are now well within two months of a better appearance of silver, which is a being to the new crop advices being so good, e., we are now well within two months of a better appearance of silver, which is a being to the property of the propert

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